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## Woodmead Halls threatens to close toilets after council spat

THE future of public toilets at the Woodmead Halls in Lyme Regis is in jeopardy as managers have threatened to close the facilities following a heated dispute with the town council over how they are funded.

The Woodmead Halls Management Committee annually receives £24,000 from the town council for the running of the toilets, which are open all day for car park users and the general public, under a Service Level Agreement (SLA). However, in more recent times, the council has referred to this agreement as a "grant", which was described at last week's council meeting as "fictional" and "misleading".

The matter was raised last week as the Woodmead Halls was listed among the organisations the council gives major grants to each year.

Councillor Stan Williams, who is chairman of the Woodmead Halls Management Committee, argued strongly against the funding being labelled a grant and blamed the previous council administration for first referring to it in this way.

He said that by using the council's grant budget to fund the SLA with the halls, the authority was effectively "stealing" funds from other local organisations. Councillor Williams was backed by his daughter,

fellow councillor Anita Williams, who added that referring to the funding as a grant, rather than a contractual agreement, would give the halls a disadvantage when applying for actual grant funding for its planned extension.

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"Nobody ever referred to it as a grant until the previous council came into office in 2011," argued Councillor Stan Williams.

"It was always a straight business agreement paid out of the council's normal funds... we provide a service for which we get paid."

Councillor Williams added that if the money used to pay the halls did not come out of the grant budget, smaller organisations would have been able to have the full amount they requested during the annual minor grants procedure earlier this year.

"The [Woodmead Halls] committee is very certain that this is a business agreement and we are not prepared to go further down the road," he said.

#### **Private meeting**

"You have now until January 5th when our committee meets again and something has to be sorted out. This is not legal; it's not true that it's a grant.

"I had no idea that for the last three years you have been stealing money out of the grant budget for us. The committee is devastated by what you are suggesting."

Councillor Williams later confirmed with the *View From Lyme Regis* that councillors attended a private briefing meeting to discuss the budget and possible grants the previous meeting, of which he walked out of saying the discussion should have been held in public.

The Mayor, Councillor Owen Lovell, said he was

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■ FATHER and daughter, Councillors Stan and Anita Williams, both argued against funding for the Woodmead Halls being treated as a grant

sure the council was keen to continue supporting the halls and to come to an "amicable agreement".

Councillor Brian Larcombe praised the standard of the Woodmead Halls toilets but questioned why they

cost £10,000 more than public toilets elsewhere in the town.

Councillor Williams said he did not understand how toilets could be managed for any less and asked to see the total costs of the Marine Parade toilets, including business rates, repair and maintenance costs, etc.

"Even with their [Marine Parade toilets] dreadful reputation for being rubbish, untidy and smelly, I don't see how you can do it for any less than at the Woodmead Halls," he added.

Councillor Cheryl Reynolds, who is the council's representative on the Woodmead Halls committee, said that those using the toilets were not all from the car park or general public; some people who booked the halls also used the facilities.

In light of this, she suggested that in future the halls could be given £15,000 under the SLA for manage-

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ORIGINALLY from Greenwich, London, chef Keian Gillett moved to Lyme Regis six years ago to take part in a course at the internationally-renowned Boat Building

He opened his own cafe, The Galley Cafe, in Broad Street last summer.

WHY did you want to become a chef?

I wanted to be a chef for as long as I can remember, it is all I ever wanted to be. I used to skip school and bake cakes!

#### WHERE did you train to cook?

I trained at North West Kent catering college. I eventually left college to get a job in London starting as the dishwasher for Reuters in Fleet

TELL us little about your career as a chef? I have worked in lots of places. I ran the kitchen of an Italian pizza/pasta place in Brisbane for two years, a fish and oyster restaurant in the Bay of Islands, New Zealand, and more recently at the Watergate Bay Hotel in Cornwall.

#### WHAT made you decide to open The Galley

I've always wanted to own my own business. When the opportunity came up in Lyme Regis I didn't think twice!

IT'S been a hit with local residents and visitors and won rave reviews online - what do you think makes it so popular?

I like to think it comes down to making people feel at home. The Galley is my second home and we try as much as possible to get that across. I make time to talk to customers, as do the guys out front, who I might add are all amazing. I have been lucky to find such lovely people to work

YOU'VE held some successful music and poetry nights - any plans for more special

Maybe... you will have to wait and see!

ANY plans to develop the business in the fu-

We have some exciting plans in the pipeline. We



■ LYME Regis chef Keian Gillett, pictured second from right with staff at The Galley Cafe when it opened last year

are changing a few thing cosmetically in February. It is going to look lovely. I might try a few more evening events next summer and take it from there.

WHAT'S your favourite thing to cook? Seafood. I also love to bake!

**ECOND** INTERVIEW WHAT do you enjoy doing when you're not working?

I surf as much as I can, play guitar and I love to socialise. I also cannot live without music.

#### WHAT do you like about living in Lyme

If I were to list everything I love about Lyme Regis we would be here all day! I love the people here and the sense of community. Also the town is beautiful all year round, especially at Christmas.

WHAT do you think the town is missing?

A real specialist seafood restaurant. We have access to some amazing local seafood fresh from the the boat, we should use it!

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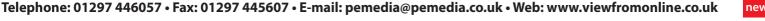
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FOUR Lyme Regis and Charmouth facilities have been awarded their share of £3million of government funding to secure seaside attractions for generations to come.

Grants from the Coastal Revival Fund for Lyme Regis area totalled more than £59,000 with the Marine Theatre receiving £39,000 for the repair of its roof, The Hub youth club winning £10,000 for continued refurbishment of the facility, and the Town Mill receiving £8,800 to fund a feasibility study on how to expand the attraction.

Charmouth Coastwatch has also won £1,850 to help furnish and equip the listed Napoleonic Lookout hut above Charmouth Beach.

The local facilities are four of 77 projects across the country which have received up to £55,000 each to help revive seaside towns so they can diversify their economy, attract investment and secure their long-term future.

Since 2012, more than £120million has been invested in coastal towns through the Coastal Communities Fund, which is helping local people regenerate cherished seaside areas.

Earlier this year, the government announced 118 Coastal Community Teams (CCTs), including one set up in Lyme Regis and Charmouth led by LymeForward co-ordinator Adrian Ragbourne, to encourage local businesses, councils and voluntary groups to work together to create a long-term strategy for their community and submit bids for funding.

Mr Ragbourne said: "We are delighted that the Lyme

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Regis CCT has been so successful; this is testimony to the way in which everyone has pulled together and supported our overall economic plan being created for the area

"The Department for Communities and Local Government is keen to support areas that have a cohesive plan with broad support from its community, and this should enable us to generate further funding over the next four years."

Speaking on the grant for the Marine Theatre, artistic director Clemmie Reynolds said: "I am absolutely thrilled to have been awarded this substantial grant of £39,000 from the Coastal Revival Fund to fix the Marine Theatre's roof.

"This money will enable us to repair the critical structural damage of the theatre's exterior and large hole in the roof that regularly leaks rain water into the beautiful historic interior. This damage is a result of both the theatre's age and seaside location, and if left undone, would have threatened the continued survival of the theatre that is at the heart of the community of Lyme Regis.

"I am so relieved that this 121 year old gem of a theatre can be restored and preserved for future generations to enjoy."

Following news that the theatre had been awarded £39,000, the town council will tonight (Wednesday)

consider boosting this by up to £10,000 to maximise the benefit of the Coastal Revival Fund.

Co-ordinator of The Hub, Diane Earle, commented: "This money is a lifeline for The Hub. It will help us to replace the windows that are in urgent need of attention and contribute towards our refurbishment programme.

"The Hub provides employment for up to 12 people in all and provides a venue for more than 200 children per week so this is a great way to end the year."

Gary Willis, chairman of the Town Mill Trust, said the grant would be used to carry out a full review of how space at the mill us used.

"Success with this bid is fantastic. Lyme really needs all weather, out of season visitor attractions and facilities which will enhance the local economy and support small businesses," he added.

"We believe The Town Mill can help and this money will enable us to figure what, how and if we really can

"We have for some time seen the potential for the mill to develop its operations in a way that enables us to have more artisan/start-up businesses. We would also like to combine this with facilities to provide a shop window for these artisans and space to run artisan skills development workshops.

"To move this thinking forward we require a full review of how we use our space at the mill and some creative input around how we might develop the space we have. Within this we also wanted to explore how we might move aspects of the mill towards an all-weather space, suitable for a mix of uses.

"Underpinning all this is the desire to see how the mill could help support the local economy via new jobs and 'out of season' activities.

"The funds we have won from the Coastal Revival Fund will allow us to get the expert help we need to undertake the feasibility stage of this project."

Michael Seaman, senior watchkeeper from Charmouth Coastwatch, commented: "When opened in the

#### **COUNCIL DATES**

 Weds, Dec 16th - Full Council, 7pm, followed by an extraordinary meeting to discuss a possible grant for the Marine Theatre spring and this grant will allow the Lyme Bay Coastwatch team to provide additional, much-needed coastal safety in the bay. As well as basic furnishings, we will now be able to purchase portable solar panels and VHF radios."

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It is understood that the club's safety RIB – rigid inflatable boat – with two people aboard overturned as it went to the assistance of one person aboard a dinghy, which also capsized. All three reached shore safely.

The incident took place close to rocks known as Broad Ledge at about 11.20am

The alarm was raised by people ashore, including the RNLI's volunteer community safety officer, Richard Finch, who saw people waving in the Broad Ledge area.

The dinghy reached shore, but the safety boat was stuck on rocks. Because the tide was still dropping the lifeboat crew were unable to reach the RIB, but coastguards and lifeboat crew members were later attempting to right the RIB.

After the RIB was righted it was anchored until later in the afternoon when the lifeboat was launched again at 3.15pm to tow the safety boat into harbour in difficult sea conditions with an estimated eight foot swell.

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## Lyme mourns loss of kind and friendly community stalwart

A LYME Regis resident who honeymooned in the town and then returned in retirement has died, aged

Bernard Spencer, admired greatly in the town for his kindness and friendly demeanour, died in Lyme Regis Nursing Home on December 8th after a long illness, borne with great dignity.

Mr Spencer and his wife Molly retired to Lyme in 1998 and immersed themselves in local life, supporting many local groups and good causes, being particularly active in one of the town's most respected organisations, the Lyme Regis Society.

Mr Spencer was born and educated in Reading. He met his wife-to-be when they worked in the same building in Reading, marrying in the Berkshire town in 1957 and spending their honeymoon in Lyme Regis, staying at the Alexandra Hotel.

Having spent his National Service in the RAF, working on radar, Mr Spencer worked in the electronics industry, retiring at 60 after managing three branches of a London-based company in Reading, Salisbury and Exeter.

Mr Spencer was a keen cyclist and he and his wife enjoyed many cycling holidays. At the age of 65, he undertook a ride from Dieppe to Zurich, completed in ten days.

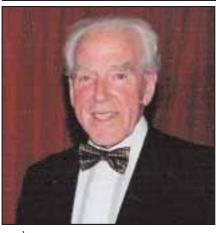
After Mr Spencer retired, the couple moved to Emsworth before looking for a home near the sea on the south coast. They did not want to live in one of the bigger resorts and remembered they had stayed in Lyme for their honeymoon and decided to move to the town.

Mr Spencer threw himself immediately into local life, rescuing the ailing Lyme Regis Society, serving first as treasurer and then chairman. His work was recognised by the Civic Society for increasing membership and he received a certificate from Viscountess

He wrote two booklets – "Signs of History" and "Roaming Lyme's Landscape" – and also penned two

#### OBITUARY

**Bernard Spencer** 



Mr Spencer served on a number of committees in the town, including the Woodmead Halls, the Marine Parade Shelters Steering Group, the Coastal Forum and the Philpot Museum.

He was renowned for his acts of kindness and regularly visited day centres in Lyme, Bridport and Beaminster playing recorded music.

Mr Spencer, who had great energy and was rarely unoccupied, formed a creative writing group for the U3A organisation and became an Honoured Citizen of Lyme during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012 for his services to the community.

A funeral service will be held at Weymouth Crematorium on Monday, December 21st at 1pm.

#### Carnival committee donates £9,000 to local groups

LYME Regis Regatta & Carnival Committee have donated £9,000 to 30 local organisations following another successful year of events,

The following organisations have received donations: B Sharp, Christmas Lights Committee, Community Lunch Club, Driftwood Project, Father Christmas Sleigh, Football Club (Youth Section), Fossil Festival, Get Together Club, Gig Club (Youth Section), Hallett Court, Honiton Gymnastic Club, Lym Valley Scouts, Lyme Regis Coastguards, Lyme Regis lifeboat crew, Lyme Regis Majorettes, Lyme Regis Town Band, LymeNet, Marine Theatre (Youth Theatre), Marine Theatre, Moving On, Musical Theatre, Pantomime Society, Photographic Society, Power Boat Club (Youth Section), Sailing Club (Youth Section), St Michael's School, Table Tennis Club, Taekwondo Club, The Hub, The Project.

Chairman of the Regatta & Carnival Committee, Andy Brown, said: "We are delighted that we have been able to donate so much money this year to a record number of local good causes. Although our principle aim is to enhance the holidays of the many families who come to Lyme Regis every yea we have been able to raise a substantial amount of money and respond to requests from local good causes including several new ones this year.

"My committee and I have worked hard to minimise the costs of our events and have tried to make them accessible to as many people as possible. Once again we are indebted to local businesses who have supported us, especially by decorating the ducks which were such a hit during carnival week, and to the many people from Lyme who have helped us with events and collections.

"We are already enthusiastically planning next year's events but we are in need of extra help if next year is to be as successful."

As well as Regatta & Carnival Week in August, the committee also organised the May Day Fete, the Easter Bonnet Parade and the Solstice Torchlight Procession.

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## Legion seeks details of Lyme man who fought under Australian flag

ROYAL British Legion officials in Lyme Regis have discovered that a local man died in one of the two world wars fighting under the Australian flag.

The name of Lyme Regis appears on a memorial in Hyde Park, London, commemorating nearly 24,000 towns from around the world in which Australian soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice were born.

The memorial comprises a semi-circular curved wall of grey-green granite slabs, cut in Western Australia before being shipped to London for unveiling in 2008.

The granite stones are inscribed with

the names of 23,844 towns in which the Australian soldiers were born, in Australia, the UK and elsewhere.

Parts of some town names are picked out in bolder type, creating the names of 47 battles in which Australia was involved in a larger font.

In summer months, water runs down over the names, intended to evoke "memories of service, suffering and sacrifice". The curved wall is set facing a downwards slope of grass, forming an amphitheatre.

Now efforts are being made to find out who the Lyme-born man was.

Legion President Philip Evans ex-

plains how the discovery was made: "My brother John and his wife Christine were visiting London recently and came across the memorial in Hyde Park. And they were amazed to see the name of Lyme Regis on the memorial."

Legion chairman David Manners said he was unaware that a Lyme-born man fought under the Australian flag and lost his life in one of the world conflicts.

Mr Evans added: "I hope we can track down who the Lyme man was and ensure that his great sacrifice is remembered in an appropriate fashion in his home town. We are contacting Australia House to see if they can help."

Legion member Vernon Rattenbury,

who served in the Royal Navy, will also be enlisted to help solve the mystery. Mr Rattenbury has researched the circumstances of all those from Lyme who died in the First World War with details being published in the View from Lyme Regis on the 100th anniversary of their death.

If any local family has any information which may lead to identifying the Lyme man who fought for Australia they should contact Mr Evans on 01297 446155.

#### Post office saved from closure

LYME Regis Post Office has been saved from closure thanks to new sub-postmaster Bill Mc-Gowan.

The threat of potential closure has hung over the post office in Broad Street for several years, after outgoing sub-postmaster Les Gilbert shared his plans to retire. However, Mr Gilbert remained in place until a replacement was finally found to ensure the branch remained open.

New sub-postmaster Mr McGowan now confirms the branch is safe from closure and, after a busy Christmas season, he is planning to give the post office a complete revamp in the New Year.

Mr McGowan has worked for the post office for 30 years and comes to Lyme Regis following a two year break from running his last branch in Cattistock.

## District council referendum given go ahead

ELECTORAL Services at West Dorset District Council have confirmed that the Public First group's petition – aimed at reverting the council from a 'cabinet' to a 'committee' system of governance – has been validated.

A total of 4,069 valid signatures was required under the rules of the 2011 Localism Act for WDDC to instigate the referendum, but Public First collected more than 6,000 signatures in total.

Petition manager John Grantham said: "We're delighted, and are very grateful to all who have so keenly supported this campaign.

"We are also grateful to the Electoral Services team for completion prior to Christmas. When the referendum comes – possibly, we understand, on May 5th to coincide with the Police Commissioner's election – people of all parties and political persuasions will have the opportunity to vote for a more democratic 'committee' system of governance.

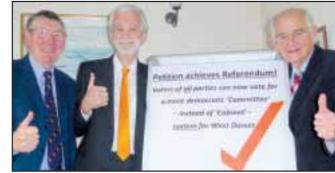
"We believe West Dorset is second only to Fylde Borough Council in achieving a referendum – which they won – under the Localism Act to revert to a 'committee' system

"Though in Canterbury, as the city council saw a public petition making strong headway, their council decided voluntarily to convert back to the 'committee' system and avoided the cost to the community of running a referendum.

"The fact that at both our main public meetings 99 per cent – a total of over 500 people – voted by raising arms in favour of the 'committee' over the 'cabinet' system, and that in our travels in obtaining over 6,000 signatures we remember only a total of 38 people stating they definitely preferred the 'cabinet' system, gives us confidence.

"But we'll campaign throughout West Dorset over the coming four months, examining the strengths of the 'committee' over the 'cabinet' system in the West Dorset context.

"It's not about party politics. It's about a fairer, more democratic, more proportionate and open system of governance being re-introduced, and one that uses better the skills of all the councillors elected into council."



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## **Annual lunch a**

THE annual Christmas lunch for Lyme Regis' over 70s was held at the Woodmead Halls on Saturday afternoon.

Although numbers were slightly down on previous years, the event remains one of the most popular of the year with local residents, and more than 60 attended on Saturday.

The diners were welcomed by the Mayor of Lyme Regis and chairman of the Over 70s Christmas Lunch Committee, Councillor Owen Lovell, and grace was said by the Reverend Keith Vivian before a three-course Christmas dinner was

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served, cooked by local caterer Laurie Statham and team, complete with Christmas crackers.

Following lunch, diners took part in a chocolate raffle and the Lyme Luggers ukulele group performed.

Before leaving, guests were all treated to a present from Father Christmas.







■ FESTIVE FAYRE: Lyme Regis residents tuck into a three-course Christmas dinner

## festive treat for Lyme's over 70s







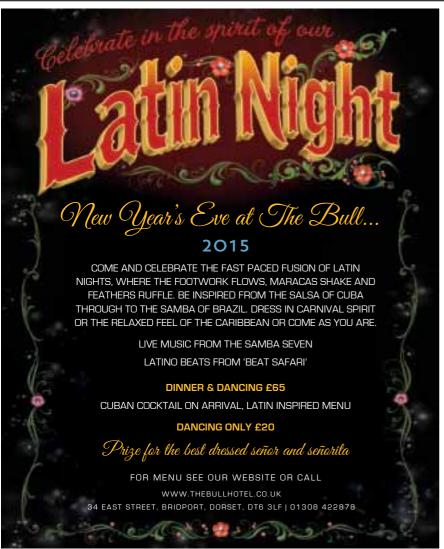
■ CHRISTMAS TUNES: The Lyme Luggers ukulele group entertain after lunch



■ BEHIND THE SCENES: The organising committee - Councillor Owen Lovell, Councillor Michaela Ellis, Pat Stamp, Vicky Stickler, Liz Pattimore and Christine Lovell









## It's not worth the risk... DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

The festive season is now upon us and with it comes work nights out and an opportunity to catch up with friends and family. But for all too many, it's tempting to ruin the celebrations by driving home after a couple of drinks.

N THE last 50 years road casualties caused by drink driving have fallen dramatically, but in 2013, there were still 240 deaths due to drink driving – accounting for 14% of all road fatalities. By drinking and driving, you risk your life, those of your passengers and others on the road.

Any amount of alcohol affects your ability to drive.

#### THE LAW

There are strict alcohol limits for UK drivers: In England, Wales and Northern Ireland, the legal alcohol limit for drivers is:

- 35 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath
- 80 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood
- 107 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine

In Scotland (from 5 December 2014) the legal alcohol limit for drivers is lower at:

- 22 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath
- 50 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood
- 67 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine.

However it is not possible to say how much alcohol you can drink and stay below the limit. The way alcohol affects you depends

- your weight, age, sex and metabolism (the rate your body uses energy)
- the type and amount of alcohol you're drinking
- what you've eaten recently
- · your stress levels at the time

So if you're driving, it's better to have none for the road.



#### **DRINK DRIVING**

- Don't drink and drive, the only safe limit is none.
- You can still be over the limit the morning after.
- Drink and drug driving does cost lives.
- Get caught drink driving and you will be treated like any other criminal.
- A drink driving conviction will stay on your licence for 11 years.
- Program a phone number for a licensed taxi company into your mobile phone before you go out.
- If you are caught drink driving you will be required to attend court where you could face a fine, be banned from driving or imprisoned.

#### THE CONSEQUENCES

if you are convicted of drink driving, including:

- A minimum 12 month driving ban
- A criminal record
- · A hefty fine
- An endorsement on your license for 11 years

However, this list does not reflect the everyday consequences of being caught drink driving which can include:

- Increase in car insurance costs
- Job loss
- Trouble getting in to countries like the USA
- The shame of having a criminal record
- Loss of independence

The Institute of Advanced Motorists calculate that a drink drive conviction could cost between £20,000 - £50,000 as a result of fines, solicitors fees, increase in car insurance and loss of job.

## YOU DRINK YOU DRIVE YOU LOSE

## THINKS ADVICE

#### Beware the morning after

You could be over the legal limit many hours after your last drink, even if it's the 'morning after'. Sleep, coffee and cold showers don't help to sober you up - time is the only way to get alcohol out of your system.

#### There is no excuse for drink driving

"I can handle my drink."

Alcohol affects everybody's driving for the worse. It creates a feeling of overconfidence, makes judging distance and speed more difficult and slows your reactions so it takes longer to stop

"I'm only going down the road."

A large proportion of all drink drive crashes occur within three miles of the start of the journey.

## If you're planning to drink alcohol, plan how to get home without driving

Options include agreeing on a designated driver, saving a taxi number to your phone, or finding out about public transport routes and times before you go out.

Don't offer an alcoholic drink to someone you know is planning to drive

Even if you're not driving, you can help reduce the number of people who are killed and injured every year by drink driving.

Don't accept a lift from a driver you know has drunk alcohol









## Woodmead Halls toilets could be shut down if agreement cannot be made on £24k funding

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ment of the toilets, and the remaining £10,000 could be made up through a grant, which the halls committee could put towards the toilets or anything else it wanted.

"We can't justify the expense of £24,000 when the toilets are also used by people who use that hall," she added.

Councillor Anita Williams said the discussion was "interesting but doesn't reflect reality", as the funding was not a grant but a contractual agreement.

"It was never a grant. A previous councillor was always of the view that it was a grant, but that was not what this council agreed," she added.

Referring to the town clerk's report, she continued: "I don't understand why the report doesn't refer to the running of the toilets... This report, for reasons I really don't understand, refers to it as a grant. It's incorrect, it's wrong, it's trying to re-write history. It should be withdrawn because it's factually incorrect, it doesn't reflect the real situation; it was actually suggested to me by one member of the public that it was mislead-

Town clerk John Wright defended his report, saying it did go on to explain that the council had an SLA with Woodmead Halls

He added that £24,000 was "a lot of money for contributing to a toilet which is only partially used by the public'

"I would advise very strongly that the council reconsiders this," he said.

"If the council wants to make good any difference it should be looking at making a grant. There's absolutely nothing wrong with the town council funding a community centre, but to justify a level of expenditure called a Service Level Agreement on a relatively small proportion of that facility, I think is actually mis-

Councillor Anita Williams replied: "That's lovely but that's not what you've put in your papers. If you want this council to reconsider the costings, those costings should be here and they're not.

"It's absolutely disingenuous to suggest that using the word 'grant' in a report and then talking about an SLA later somewhat fixes it.

"If you think the figures are wrong, that's fine and that's for this council to consider. To put in slur that the Woodmead Halls is misleading the council on the figures, which is what was just said, on a deal that was agreed by this council...

Mr Wright interrupted, saying this is not what he

Councillor Larcombe asked what the Woodmead Halls would want if the council could no longer give the full amount under an SLA.

Councillor Stan Williams replied: "Woodmead Halls is quite prepared to call the deal off. We make no money out of it... it's a nightmare.'

#### **Fictional**

Addressing the town clerk, he continued: "We need you to do a proper check on your Marine Parade toilets and tell us what they really cost. I don't believe your figures are near the truth. How much money have you really spent? Do you know what your men are doing? You don't even have time sheets.

Councillor Anita Williams added: "The Woodmead Halls committee wants the truth to be reflected, which is that they entered in good faith an SLA to run the toilets. They didn't put in a grant application, there is no grant application, this is fictional.

"The halls committee objects hugely to the suggestion that they are ripping off the council in some way or changing the goalposts. They're not changing anything, they're doing exactly what they always have

The town clerk said: "The net expenditure of the Woodmead Halls is about £24,000. We are being charged that for part of the halls, for one of two sets of toilets. In addition there's two halls there; it's all paid for, its services, all costs are being met by the town

"We can't justify that level of expenditure. We can support them with an SLA for the toilets... but can we justify it at that level? I think the answer's no. If the council wants to consider making good any difference with a grant, I think that's fine.'

Councillor Stan Williams argued that the Woodmead Halls provided high-standard public toilets 365 days a year, adding: "If you don't want it, don't have it." Attempting to bring the discussion to an end, the

mayor said both parties had abided by the agreement and it was being reviewed for next year.

"I think you've made your point," he added.

Councillor Anita Williams argued: "Sorry, but it's not being reviewed, it's being put forward as a grant.' She asked the council if they could agree that the

funding was not a grant and was part of an SLA.

Councillor Lovell responded: "I accept that what we

have is an SLA at this point in time.' Councillor Reynolds asked: "Can we also agree that it's always been paid out of the grant pot?

Councillor Stan Williams replied: "No, only in the last four years. We have objected ever since...You'll get the toilets shut down."

He then asked the town clerk to look for any previous

minutes of council meetings which referred to the Woodmead Halls funding as a grant, saying he wouldn't be able to find anything.

"I hope you do that, I hope you look out all of my back records," he added.

The town clerk commented: "This is getting incredibly personalised."

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"It is personal," Councillor Williams replied.
The mayor commented: "You've made your presentation, we've all heard what you said and there are decisions to be made, possibly tonight."

Councillor Williams: "Decisions need to be made by January 5th. My committee has made their decision on how they will treat it, it's finished."

The council later looked at allocating its major grants for the next financial year, which included Woodmead Halls, as well as the Marine Theatre, LymeForward and

No further discussion was held on whether the Woodmead Halls should be considered as a grant or not, and members agreed to defer allocating all major grants until February (see below), to allow other organisations to come forward and apply for funding.

#### Council delays awarding major grants

TOWN councillors have agreed to defer handing out next year's major grants until February to create a "fair and open" process in which other organisations will be able to apply for funding.

Councillors were last week asked to consider if they wanted to repeat grants made annually to local organisations, including the Marine Theatre, LymeForward, The Hub and Woodmead Halls. However, town clerk John Wright pointed out a "flaw" in this process and suggested that members should defer the decision, allowing other organisations to apply for £95,700 available.

Some councillors raised concerns that delaying the awarding of grants would cause problems for the Marine Theatre, Hub and LymeForward, which all employ staff which may rely on the funding.

Councillor Anita Williams repeated her earlier argument that funding for the Woodmead Halls was not a grant, and was part of a Service Level Agreement (see above), as was funding for LymeForward.

However, it was agreed to defer the decision until February and open up the funding to other local or-





#### News in a Nutshell

## Police fear another spate of burglaries in Uplyme

POLICE are warning residents of Uplyme to be vigilant over the festive period, as they fear a spate of burglaries which took place in the village last Christmas may be repeated.

DC Matthew Burnell said there was a spate of burglaries in Uplyme at the end of 2014 and police were concerned this was starting up again, mainly in unoccupied buildings.

"Please remain vigilant over Christmas," he warned.

"Look out for your neighbours and report any suspicious behaviour by calling police in 101."

The warning follows a burglary in Crogg Lane last week and a local man in his 30s was also recently arrested on suspicion of burglary, relating to a separate incident, and enquiries are ongoing.

#### Charity bingo night raises £765

A CHARITY bingo night raised £765 for Meningitis Now.

The event at the Woodmead Halls was organised by local resident Kayleigh Beddows, who will be running the London Marathon next year along with her husband James in aid of Meningitis Now and The Lullaby Trust.

The success of the bingo night meant Kayleigh has now reached her target of £1,900 to allow her to take part in the race.

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■ ST Michael's Primary School in Lyme Regis held its annual Christmas fair on Friday evening. The fair was organised by the Parents and Friends Association and included a number of stalls in school hall, including local crafts, a raffle, refreshments and children's activities. Santa's grotto also proved a hit with the children. Pictured above, pre-school pupil Austin and mum Amanda Rattenbury meet Father Christmas.

## Local insurance company donates funds to school



■ CHEQUE MATES: Regional manager of Gillinghams Insurance Services, Jack Clotworthy, presents a cheque to St Michael's headteacher Annabelle Grose and pupils

GILLINGHAMS Insurance Services from Bridport donated £324 to St Michael's Primary School in Lyme Regis to help fund new educational books

The donation was arranged by Elaine Street, who works at Gillinghams and is a member of St Michael's Parents and Friends Association.

A cheque was presented to the school during an assembly last week

by Jack Clotworthy, regional branch

Mr Clotworthy explained that Gillinghams was very much a "community-minded" insurance company and looked to support local schools and organisations with an annual budget for donations.

The money for the school will be used to buy new atlases and dictionaries



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## Scout group entertains Pinhay House residents

THE 1st Lym Valley Beaver Scouts went carol singing at Pinhay House care home, near Lyme Regis, last Wednesday accompanied by Adrian Pearson, who played the accordion, and leaders and parents.

The residents enjoyed a rendition of "The 12 Days of Christmas" and traditional Christmas carols. Whilst there, five Beavers were presented with their Bronze Awards (pictured left), which is the highest award for the youngest section of the Scout Asso-

ciation.

Also that night two scouts were presented with their Gold Awards (pictured below), the highest award for scouts before moving onto Explorers.

The Uplyme-based Scout group serves Lyme Regis and Uplyme and is growing. Any boys or girls aged 10 to 14 who would like to join the scouts should contact leader Karen Yelland by emailing yellandpay@aol.com



## Mayor opens Christmas fair for Moving On group



■THE Mayor of Lyme Regis, Councillor Owen Lovell, opened a Christmas fair in aid of the Moving On group at The Hub youth club on Saturday. Moving On is a social group which aims to promote wellbeing and supports people recovering from mental health issues. Sessions are held at The Hub in Church Street every Friday from 10.30am to 1.30pm. Councillor Lovell is pictured above with volunteers from the group.

#### Church to host ninth Christmas Tree Festival

THE ninth Lyme Regis Christmas Tree Festival will open on Friday, December 18th in the Baptist Church.

The spectacular display of decorated trees will represent the work of 26 organisations in Lyme who have each decorated a tree.

who have each decorated a tree.

Alan Vian, secretary of Lyme Regis Regatta &
Carnival Committee, which organises the festival,
said: "The festival is a collaboration between the
Regatta & Carnival Committee and the Baptist

Church and has moved to the weekend so that

residents and visitors alike can enjoy the spectacle.

"The trees will look magnificent and will bring Christmas a step nearer. I am looking forward to seeing the trees decorated to reflect each organisation – I believe there will even be a tree invaded by pirates!"

Admission to the tree festival is free and will open between 10am and 8pm on Friday and Saturday, and from 12noon to 8 pm on Sunday.

## Band's Christmas concert a cracker! | Children tell nativity story

mas Cracker" concert took a new format this year, and went down a storm with both the public and the musicians themselves, writes Stuart Broom.

Instead of the formal seating arrangement, the Woodmead Halls was laid out with tables giving it a more relaxed and intimate feel. For the first time it was also held on a Sunday afternoon which allowed members and staff of the residential homes in the town to attend.

There was also a change to the musical programme which finished with the playing and singing of Christmas carols

The band this year was led in the main by joint musical director Brian Scott, with his colleague Roger Grose taking his place in the band except to direct one number.

As usual there was a diversity of music, from the Beatles' "All You Need is Love" and "Is This The Way to Amarillo", to the stirring "Men of Harlech" which was arranged by local man Gardon Langford, and of course Christmas songs.

There were solos from Nicky Herbert "Lady in Red"), John Warr ("Romance and Rondo") and the usual entertaining band chairman, Paul Snowball, with his bass.

Guest artists, local duo Roy Wooton and Rob Cross, supplied a melodic, lilting interlude, whilst Jan from Cornwall tried to get the audience to talk "propper". All this was expertly helped along by compere Nigel

After an interval, awards were made to four band members for their services during the year.

The Gordon Broom Memorial Shield, presented by his son Stuart, was awarded to Mr Grose (pictured top right) who, along with Mr Scott, took over the joint musical direc-

tor's role on a temporary basis at the beginning of the year, since which they have done an "amazing job" steering the band through a very busy and highly successful year.

Due to his many other commitments, Roger has decided to stand down in January but his hard work and valued service was recognised by this annual award.

The Musical Director's Award was won by Gilly Warr, last year's winner of the Gordon Broom shield. She was a worthy winner after once again demonstrating her drive and hard work behind the scenes as well as playing in the band.

The Bandmaster's Award for the most improved player in the last year was won by Nicola Ockenden, whilst the recipient of the Chairman's Award for the person who has become the most valuable member of the

main band went to Olly Leyshon.

Mr Snowball also made a special presentation to Mr Scott for all his hard work during the year as joint musical director, recognising that he too has a heavy work load outside of the band.

Lyme Regis Regatta and Carnival Committee secretary, Alan Vian, also presented Mr Snowball with a cheque from the proceeds of this year's profits (pictured bottom right), which are distributed to several local good causes (see page 4).







■ CHILDREN from Mrs Ethelston's Primary School in Uplyme have been practising all week for their Christmas nativity play. The children are pictured above during a dress rehearsal in the Church of St Peter and St Paul, next to the school, ahead of their performance to family and friends today (Wednesday). Photo by PETER HODGES

#### Town centre car park sold for £727k

THE Pitt House car park in Broad Street, Lyme Regis, has been sold at auction for £727,000.

The freehold of the 0.62 acre site, behind Tesco Express, was bought at an auction held by property consultancy Allsop last week, resulting in concerns over a potential loss of much-needed town centre car parking. However, the site will continue to operate as a car park as the

existing lease with National Car Parks Ltd. (NCP) does not expire until 2037

In the sale particulars, the site was described as a "well located freehold car park investment", with NCP currently paying £35,325 annual rent to operate it as a car park, but added that the site "may lend itself to future development opportunities on expiry of the lease".

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## New volunteers needed at Weldmar charity shop

THE Weldmar Hospicecare Trust charity shop in Lyme Regis is appealing for new volunteers to come forward.

The Weldmar Hospicecare Trust is a charitable organisation which supports people from north, south and West Dorset who have an illness which significantly limits their life. The trust supports the patient, their families and special friends with the aim of helping the patient in the way, place and at the time which they feel best suits them.

The patient's needs will change during the course of their illness, so the trust has a variety of services to offer. Its intention is to offer palliative care to help people live as a good a life as possible when their illness cannot be cured, and to help families and friends manage the impact their loved one's illness has on their own lives.

The charity shop in Broad Street, Lyme Regis, is described as a "happy shop to work within with a wonderful bunch of volunteers".

However, more volunteers are needed who can offer around four hours a week to spare.

There are a variety of jobs that volunteers can help with, from front of



■ HAPPY TO HELP: Volunteers at the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust shop are hoping to boost their numbers

house to working behind the scenessorting out donations.

Anyone interested is asked to call 01297 445557 and ask for Emma or Sam, or call into the shop at 23 Broad Street.

For more details on the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, visit the website www.weld-hospice.org.uk

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## Woodroffe pupil ones of youngest in country to pass singing exam

WOODROFFE School student Phoebe Holmes-Simeon has passed an A-level standard music exam at just 11 years

Phoebe (pictured), who previously lived in Charmouth and now lives in Seaton, has become one of the youngest singers in the country to pass a Grade 8 with merit in Rockschool's Popular Music Performance Vocals exam, which is equivalent to an A at A-Level.

Karen Chetwynd, head of assessment at Rockschool said: "To pass a Rockschool examination is a significant accomplishment for any student. For a young candidate to achieve a merit at Grade 8 is a wonderful achievement.

"I congratulate Phoebe, her teacher and her supportive mum for their hard work and preparation - an excellent result.

"Phoebe is one of the youngest to

pass Grade 8 with Merit and a Rockschool grade is a true gauge of your musical ability."

Mum Marie said that she, Phoebe's dad and their family are "so extremely proud" of the young singer.

She has expressed a keen interest in music and singing since a young age, studying for her vocal exams since aged seven, and has also learnt to play piano.

Her mum added: "It is also amazing that Phoebe now has 70 UCAS points towards university entry at age 11."

Since passing her Grade 8 and starting Woodroffe, Phoebe has been singing for fun and doing some recording before she starts practising towards her Performance Diploma.

She has had busking slots at the Guitars on the Beach event in Lyme Regis for the past three years, has been a chorister for a day at Exeter Cathedral, performed solo and a



group at several local events, including Seaton's Great Outdoors Festival, and sang at a family wedding

Mum Marie and Phoebe would both like to thank music teacher Sarah of Sarah Ryan Singing and Performing Arts.

## Fairfield House enters tree festival for Parkinson's Society

LYME Regis-based care home, Fairfield House, has entered this year's Bridport Christmas Tree

The annual event is held in the Bridport United Reform Church to raise funds for different charities.

The theme of Fairfield's tree is "Traditional Christmas" and all the decorations are handmade by the residents and staff in aid

of the Parkinson's Society.

The tree is currently available to view at the church - number 61, just inside the door on your right hand side - and when the festival is over the decorations will be brought back to Lyme to decorate a tree at Fairfield just in time for Christmas.

Pictured right, staff and residents from Fairfield House with their Christmas tree.



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F the government offered you £755,000 for the good of Dorset residents, how would you spend it? Support for the threatened youth service or children's centres? Something extra towards adult social care? More subsidy for buses?

Or would you use it to create 'a combined authority... a separate legal entity', additional to the county council plus Dorset's eight district and borough councils, 'to explore new ways of working together... to develop a strategic approach to housing, transport, economic development and regeneration, skills and coast protection... and to accelerate economic growth and prosperity'?

I thought not. Yet that's what Dorset's county and district councils are doing – though believing that £755,000 will be the end of it puts hope over experience. This extra 'combined authority' would have to pay for 'keeping separate accounts and records, additional audit fees and the costs of statutory officers required by what will be considered a separate local government body.' A recent report in the *Dorset Echo* suggests costs of £300,000 a year.

Forgive the jargon: it's important to quote from the horse's mouth.

Now why should all these councils need a superbureaucracy to get them working together, thinking 'strategically', and making us prosper? There's already a 'strategic' county council; the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership promotes economic development; West Dorset District Council proclaims its union with Weymouth & Portland and North Dorset. If the councils need to work more closely together, why not just carry on?



Perhaps there's huge public demand? Did you join the public consultation early in the year? This was, apparently, publicised by 'contacting businesses or representative organisations and through individual councils, councillors, employees and parish / town councils. A press release was also issued and Twitter and Facebook used to promote the consultation.' So how many valid responses came from Dorset's population of around 755,000? Just 125!

Worse, a document from WDDC notes that 'The case for a combined authority is heavily reliant on a survey. Persons surveyed appear to have been confused about the nature of a combined authority and there appears to have been an assumption that it represented a combined unitary authority.'

Not much public interest or understanding, then. Would you say that's significant, in a democracy? But maybe our rulers thought so hard, and are so certain of what's good for us, that we should simply trust them?

Possibly. But that WDDC document comments: 'The Governance Review, while saying that a Combined Authority could be able to consolidate a set of fragmented bodies and powers, says nothing about how in practice this can be made to work effectively.' Referring to the absence of 'Specific plans for how a combined authority for Dorset will deliver better infrastructure, skills and productivity' it notes that 'the

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review has not sufficiently set out the business plan or the governance arrangements to demonstrate that it will be successful.'

Another WDDC document fears 'additional bureaucracy would be created, that a combined authority would lead to undue emphasis on one part of the county (the Bournemouth / Poole conurbation) and the potential for loss of local decision making / influence.' Just read this paragraph again! Yet WDDC is going along with the idea.

So, why? 'A combined authority is likely to be a pre-requisite to gaining devolved powers and new freedoms and flexibilities from central government. It is also a pre-requisite for subsequently approaching and negotiating with Government on any devolution deal.' George Osborne says: "Do it my way – or else." And George Osborne holds the money bags.

That's how it always goes. Politicians talk easily about people having control over the welfare of their own communities. In practice – because politicians hate sharing power, and civil servants love their bureaucracies – change brings more complication, less understanding, and more expense.

What rich pastures this new bit of Dorset's government would offer for officials to gambol in! More surveys, consultations and reviews to conduct, more 'partnerships' to create, more 'strategies' to prepare, more reports to write, more meetings to attend... Meanwhile, people in their localities are pushed further from decision-making, or even influence.

The disease which makes politicians and administrators forget their purpose is visible all around us. (Just think NHS.) So can Lyme's town council resist infection?

Being well-intentioned, with their feet on the ground, our councillors should be sufficiently

strong not to be sucked into a bureaucratic quagmire. But some unhealthy symptoms are showing. Like the national government, it wants to 'engage' with its public, but isn't very good at it – witness, for example, the recent 'Time to Talk' exercise. A council of 14 part-time volunteers serving a community of fewer than 4,000 people is developing a 'Corporate Plan' for *itself* (delusions of grandeur?) yet declines to follow Charmouth and Uplyme in creating a Neighbourhood Plan for *the town*, even though this would benefit Lyme practically.

Echoing district and county, it's creating a special 'Scrutiny' committee: but shouldn't the whole council watch over its own far smaller workload as a matter of course? It wants to spend staff time pursuing Gold Standard recognition by the Local Council Award Scheme – a largely paper-based assessment of procedures. Surely the only validation it needs is that most of the people, most of the time, approve of its conduct, competence and services. (It is good at paper, though: the agenda for a recent council meeting covered 93 pages.)

The council holds trusteeship for the welfare of the whole town and all its wonderfully varied elements. But listen attentively, and you can't help hearing the occasional note of self-satisfied separation: the sense of somehow being an independent business rather than democratically accountable to the whole of Lyme; the feeling that "What will this do for the council?" sometimes replaces "What will this do for the town?"

New Year's resolutions focus on resisting temptations or past weaknesses. When councillors, who act in our name, make theirs next month, let's hope they will re-assert their resolve to resist any self-referential (even worse, self-reverential) empire-building.





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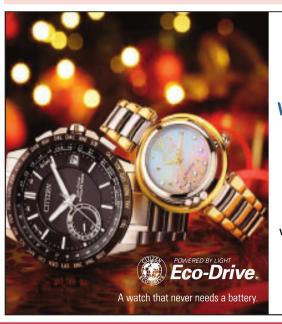
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## Charity Santa sleigh raised £820 for B Sharp

■ MAY I, through your paper, express my sincere thanks to the people of Lyme Regis for helping us to raise £820 for B Sharp.

Our Santa sleigh has once again brought a smile to faces young and old, and raised a great sum of money for another good cause.

We were not blessed this year with the weather on Sunday evening, as it was raining for almost the whole journey. Even so many braved the elements to come out and see us.

This year we decided to give the sleigh a makeover. We were hoping to be able to get a reindeer from a carnival float, but unfortunately we could not get one. This meant we had to buy a new one.

We set out to try and raise enough money to do this, as we hope our new reindeer will last as long as the old one. We also wanted to buy new snow effect mating for the trailer, and new lights, etc. which should last the test of time. We held a charity quiz night and raffle at the pub, which raised £350.

In Lyme Regis we are very lucky to have some great community organisations, which support a huge array of local charities, and organisations. I am very

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grateful to the Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival Committee for their continued support, with a donation covering the insurance and new matting for the sleigh. We have also had a large donation, almost covering the cost of our new reindeer from Candles On The Cobb 2015.

We then had our last problem of having to have a bigger trailer. This was proving difficult, as most of the local traders didn't have the 12-foot trailer that we would require to fit the new reindeer on. Sadly, being six feet longer and a foot wider, we have had to omit a few roads, as we would not be able to turn around.

A few weeks ago, I was talking to one of my regular customers about the sleigh, and what it was all about. During this conversation he very kindly said he would sort me out with a trailer. True to his word he delivered it to me last week (he had driven home to

Leicester and towed it back here, just for us to use for two days!).

The result of all of this, meant that we have achieved our aim, and the sleigh will be able to continue for several years without more significant funding.

We collected a total of £757 on our journey, and we have some money left over from our fundraising, which added to the collection brings the total to £820.

I would like to personally thank the following people for their help and support; without these generous people, we would not be able to take the sleigh out. Dave Ostler for the use of the towing vehicle, Karl Watson Contracting for the use of their trailer, the Karizma Majorettes for the loan of their music system and finally, of course, to my family and Santa's little helpers. Thank you for your continued support of the sleigh and, on behalf of all of the Causley family, we would like to wish you all a happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Neville Causley, Organiser of the Lyme Regis Charity Santa Sleigh

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## View from the churches

I WONDER how many times in the last week or two I've heard people bemoaning the commercialisation of Christmas.

They usually end up saying that it's really a time for children – and one or two go so far as to say that the real meaning of Christmas has been forgotten.

When I was quite little, I remember waking up on Christmas morning to find a fat stocking at the end of my bed. Actually, it was one of my father's socks! My brother and I would excitedly take our stockings to undo on my parents' bed snuggled up in their big puffy eiderdown (no central heating then!).

Our older brother and sister had outgrown the treat of stockings, but ours always contained an apple, an orange, a sugar mouse and a lump of coal for luck, plus one or two other treats.

Then my father would read to us the Christmas story in the Bible, usually, I think, from Luke's Gospel chapter 2. It never ceased to be magical, and still is. The thought of that tiny baby being born in such a humble place as a stable – and He was the son of God who came to live and die for me! We would listen in awe!

Let's make sure that we continue to tell our children this wonderful story, especially at Christmas.

Do come and join us at Bethany Chapel in Coombe Street on Sunday, December 20th at 4pm for our Carols by Candlelight followed by a jolly good tea. On the same day, St Michael's Parish Church has a carol service at the same time, and Uplyme Parish Church has Carols by Candlelight at 6pm.

Heather Heath-Coleman Bethany Chapel

## Thanks for your hospitality!

TO the people of Lyme Regis, I wish to express my heartfelt thanks for your hospitality during my stay in your wonderful town whilst I attended the Boat Building Academy (BBA) from March through to the recent boat launch in early December.

The school offers an unique programme and an international qualification that attracts students from around the UK and overseas, all of which brings extensive economic benefits to Lyme.

Your town was the prime motivator for my choosing BBA as, apart from the beautiful natural setting (as a Kiwi I feel qualified to comment on that count), it offers a wide range of activities and interest groups in addition to the arts and music scene of which

Your Marine Theatre is a gem for a town of this size and the almost weekly offerings of major events during the summer months are a credit to those citizens prepared to step up and or-

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ganise them.

I reserve my final gratitude to your wonderful local ukulele group, the Lyme Luggers, who adopted a stray Kiwi ukulele minstrel. Few realise they donate every penny they raise to local charities so if you see them out and about this Christmas, drop a few coins in their bucket.

Thank you Lyme. I look forward to my return. Kia Ora!

Mark Dumble, Auckland, New Zealand

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## A dog is for life, and for good

By Abi Jackson, Press Association

WE often refer to dogs as being part of the family, but that statement doesn't fully do them justice not only are they part of the family, they're a unique, unwaveringly wonderful, part of the family.

Always happy to see you, there with a reassuring wag when you need it, they never judge or answer back, and somehow just being near them can lift the spirits.

The power of man's (and woman's) best friend to

boost our mood and general wellbeing should not be underestimated, and they can be a lifeline for people experiencing serious depression - an illness in the spotlight following Robin Williams' tragic death.

"The research evidence is pretty clear that pets in general, and in particular dogs, seem to work in a number of ways to be helpful to human health," says Samaritans trustee Steve Platt. "One is their actual involvement in therapeutic activity, whether that's helping children with autism or people with dementia. They also seem very sensitive to ill health in others and can help alert in situations like epileptic seizures or even cancer, being able to detect them at an early stage. And there have been many examples where dogs help people with depression, and the elderly. They can have a profound effect." HEARTWARMING TAILS

This profound effect is at the heart of new book, My Dog, My Friend: Heart-Warming Tales Of Canine Companionship From Celebrities And Other Extraordinary People.

In it, a number of people, including some highprofile names, share personal tales about the roles their beloved pooches have played in their lives.

TV chef Antony Worrall Thompson writes: "It is well documented that in 2012 I had what can only be described as a mental breakdown. During that time I was grateful for the support of my family. And classed as family are my two faithful dogs..."

Walking them was a much-needed source of "strength and solace", he reveals.

Esther Rantzen talks about the joy and comfort a string of cherished mutts have brought her family over the years, from perking her up after a stressful day at work to helping them all through the dark days of grief following the death of her husband,

Desmond, in 2000.

Also featured is Nanette Mutrie, professor of physical activity for health at the University of Edinburgh, who is a firm believer in the power of exercise for keeping us well, inside and out - but that doesn't have to mean pricey gym memberships and gruelling triathlons, regular dog-walking will work wonders too.

The brilliance of dogs doesn't end there either. This book - supported by Samaritans with all author donations being donated to the charity - is also a reminder that owning a pooch can make a difference to your all-important social life too.

"Dogs are a fantastic aid for socialisation," says Platt, who has written the book's foreword. "They encourage people to get out, and they also attract attention and help you get into conversation with others. For some people, taking their dog for a walk and having a brief chat with a fellow dog-walker might be the only interaction they have.

"They help structure the day, too. We all need structure and one of the problems that arises for people who are lonely, or living in isolation, is the collapse of structure which can have severe consequences. A dog can help provide that structure, in terms of feeding times and walking times."





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My cat is very adept at getting chocolates decorations out of the foil on the Christmas tree so take care with them as well. Chocolate is not just poisonous for dogs but for cats too.

Christmas and going into the New Year is a time when perhaps more visitors will call and your house may become a very noisy environment and this can be quite stressful for our pets. So why not give them some quiet time in separate room. If they are scared of noise or fireworks then why not use a pheromone plug-in to chill them out in their safe space.

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### LOST DOG



Jack Russel responds to the name Sam. Missing since Thursday 10th December, Last seen in the woods of Hooke Park near Beaminster/Bridport, but could be anywhere now.

If you have seen Sam or are looking after her please call Edward on 07766 416878





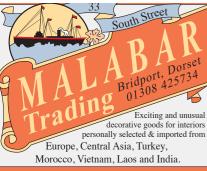


A preview of festive TV and Film by Nicky Sweetland



nton Abbey returns this Christmas Day for the Finale. Romance is in the air at Downton but, for some, the year's end will prove bittersweet.







IF you're looking forward to snuggling up in front of the TV this Christmas, look no further than our Festive View for an extensive guide to all of your holiday viewing.

There are all of the usual Yuletide offerings including the soaps vying for top spot on Christmas day and the Doctor Who Christmas special which this year will see the return of the Doctor's beloved wife River Song.

For musicals fans there are a plethora of jazz hands to choose from with The Sound of Music Live! on ITV on December 20th and Gypsy with the multi award winning Imelda Staunton on December 27th. Lyme Regis' own West End star Luke Street can be seen in the production, which was filmed at the Savoy theatre in October

We've also got the pick of this year's films, including some almost compulsory family viewina.

#### **DOCTOR WHO**

It seems like 'Doctor Who' is making up for the death of Clara Oswald (Jenna Coleman) by unleashing a truly special Christmas episode this year. The show will mark the return of Alex Kingston as the Doctor's beloved wife River Song, in the episode entitled 'The Husbands of River Sona'.

"It's Christmas Day on a remote human colony and the Doctor is hiding from Christmas Carols and Comedy Antlers. But when a crashed spaceship calls upon the Doctor for help, he finds himself recruited into River Song's squad and hurled into a fast and frantic chase across the galaxy. King Hydroflax (Greg Davies) is furious, and his giant Robot bodyguard is out-of-control and coming for them all! Will Nardole (Matt Lucas) survive? And when will River Song work out who the Doctor is?"

#### **DOWNTON ABBEY**

Romance abounds in the final episode of Downton Abbey, but for some the year's end is bitter-sweet.

Mary endeavours to build bridges but Edith's secret continues to pose a threat, even after she thought there was nothing left to lose.

As Henry settles into the role of husband, scars left by Charlie's death are slow to heal, while Carson struggles to come to terms with developments which prove that even he is not invulnerable to change.

Spratt's successful moonlighting venture is threatened by the conniving of Denker, and Daisy may have missed her chance with an admirer.

Isobel receives devastating news and when the Greys' scheming takes a sinister turn, she and Violet join forces.

Robert must learn the value of independence, while the day that Anna and Bates have been waiting for arrives.

The last ever episode offers all the love and

loss, happiness and heartbreak of Downton Abbey, and as the family and servants prepare to welcome 1926 with an unforgettable New Year's Eve we will share our final two hours in their company, and reflect on the ending of a television event.

#### CHRISTMAS SOAP HIGHLIGHTS **EASTENDERS**

Walford isn't known as the place to go for Christmas cheer and this festive season is no different, with the Mitchells and Beales at war, and Dean seeking revenge on Mick and Linda as they prepare to tie the knot. A helping of joy does come in the form of a baby boy however, although with a potential paternal struggle, it doesn't look like it will be all that merry for Staceu.

#### **CORONATION STREET**

Norris is displeased as Emily takes off on her South American adventures, and Fizz and Turone are set for an emotional rollercoaster with the prospect of Hope remaining in hospital and missing the festivities.

#### **EMMERDALE**

Corrie Legend Liz Dawn (aka Vera Duckworth) puts in an appearance at the B&B and Pollard gives a good impression of Scrooge, but the Dingles are in the thick of the action this Christmas with Belle bursting to spill the beans about Joanie and Zak.

#### **HOLLYOAKS**

There are two special hour-long episodes on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve with Ste and John Paul taking the spotlight during the Christmas Eve special. The dangerous Freddie



**Jurassic Park Boxing Day** 1.20 - 3.40pm ITV

**OUR TOP FIVE FILM PICKS** 



**Christmas Eve - The Polar Express** ITV 5.25 - 7.25pm

#### 1. Christmas Eve-The Polar Express

TV 5.25-7.25pm

In this animated tale a boy finds his belief in Father Christmas is restored by an incredible journey to the North Pole on board a magical

#### 2. Christmas Dau-The Wizard of OZ C5 3.10-5.10pm

An absolute must for Christmas day, the adaptation of L Frank Baum's classic fable may be the most beloved fantasy film of all time.

#### 3. Boxing Day-Jurassic Park

ITV 1.20-3.40pm

Steven Spielberg's adaptation of the Michael Crichton bestselling novel featuring the world's ultimate theme park, which houses genetically engineered Dinosaurs.

#### 4. New Year's Eve-Up

BBC1 2.50-4.45pm

The breathtaking Pixar masterwork follows widower Carl Fredrickson as he fulfills a lifelong dream. An emotional and beautiful animated family film.

#### 5. New Year's Day-Tangled

C4 6.00-8.00pm

The Disney animated version of the Brothers Grimm fairy tale Rapunzel. Wonderful music and a witty script make for a sparkling

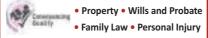


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#### THE SOUND OF MUSIC

#### The Sound of Music Live airs Sunday 20th December, from 7.30pm on ITV

This Christmas ITV are presenting The Sound of Music Live, a new television dramatisation of the world's most popular musical. The ambitious two-and-a-half hour musical drama will be transmitted live on ITV in what will be the "must see" event of the year.

The timeless and true story of Maria and the von Trapp family will come to life on sound-stages at London's Three Mills Studios. Based on the original stage musical with a book by Lindsay & Crouse and suggested by The Trapp Family Singers by Maria Augusta Trapp, The Sound of Music Live will include all of the songs from its classic score by Rodgers and Hammerstein, including How Do You Solve A Problem Like Maria, Edelweiss, Do-Re-Mi, My Favourite Things, Climb Ev'ry Mountain and the title song.

The spectacular cast includes Kara Tointon (Mr Selfridge, Pygmalion, EastEnders) as Maria; Julian Ovenden (Downton Abbey, Smash, My Night With Reg) as Captain Georg von Trapp; Katherine Kelly (Mr Selfridge, She Stoops To Conquer, Coronation Street) as Baroness Elsa Schraeder and Alexander Armstrong (Armstrong and Miller, Pointless, Danger Mouse) as Max Detweiler. Olivier Award winning actress, Maria Friedman (Rag2me, The Woman in White, Chicago) joins the cast as Mother Abbess and actor and comedian, Mel Giedroyc (BAFTA nominated Sadie J) will appear as Frau Schmidt.



The Sound Of Music

20th December, from 7.30pm, ITV

#### THE SOUND OF MUSIC TRIVIA

- The Sound of Music was not the first name that Rodgers & Hammerstein thought of for their new musical. They initially wanted to call it Love Song
- The Sound of Music has been staged on every continent save Antarctica. It was the last musical writen by Rodgers with Hammerstein in a remarkable career that also included Oklahoma!, The King and I and South Pacific
- 'Edelweiss' was the last song they wrote for the musical score, and the last song Oscar Hammerstein II ever wrote; he died in August of 1960, about 10 months after the musical had opened on Broadway in November of 1959
- When the stage play of The Sound of Music was transformed into a film, three songs were dropped. They were: 'How Can Love Survive?' sung by Max and Elsa, 'No Way to Stop It' sung by Max, Elsa and the Captain, and 'An Ordinary Couple' sung by Maria and the Captain
- There are seven von Trapp children in the musical Liesl, Freidrich, Louisa, Kurt, Brigitta, Marta and Gretl. The real von Trapp children were actually named, from oldest to youngest, Rupert, Werner, Hedwig, Johanna, Marlna, Agatha, and Maria
- Scnnitzel with noodles is a "favourite thing" in The Sound of Music but it isn't Austrian Hammerstein invented this dish!



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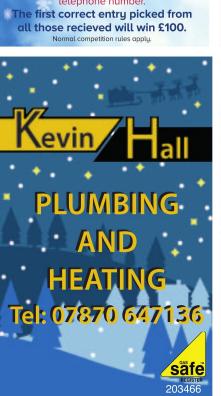
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#### Just for fun Answers below

1. In the Christmas Carol. 'Away in the Manger' what was the little Lord Jesus asleep on?

> 2. In the film Elf, what is the best way to spread Christmas cheer?

- 3. In what country, the world's seventh largest by geographical area, is Christmas known as Bada Din (the big day)?
- 4. Which Christmas condiment is made from fruit sometimes referred to as marshworts?
- 5. Charles Dickens is said to have considered the names Little Larry and Puny Pete for which character? (Bonus point: in which Dickens novel did the character appear?)

- **6.** The Latin word meaning 'coming' gave us what term which still refers to the coming Christmas period, and also to a particular tradition popular with children?
- 7. The surname Chandler derives from the making or selling of what?
- 8. In 'The Twelve Days Of Chritsmas', what are there twelve of?
- 9. Christmas Island, in the Indian Ocean, is a territory of which country?
- 10. Who had the Christmas number one in 1982 with 'Save Your Love'?
- 11. What is the name of the skin that hangs from a turkey's neck?
- 12. What is the name of the German yeast cake often served at Christmas?
- 13. Who played the lead in the 1988 film 'Scrooged'?

14. Beeswing is the term for the crackled translucent crust that forms on old bottles of which popular Christmas tipple?

15. True or false: before turkey, the traditional English Christmas dinner included a pig's head smothered in

16. Since 1947, the tree in London's Trafalgar Square has been a gift each year from which Sacndinavain city?

17. The Spanish see in the New Year by swallowing what on each of the 12 chimes at midnight? 18. Who was the first British monarch to give a televised Royal Christmas Message?

**19.** What gift is an anagram of ESNEC-

20. According to the old Julian calendar, which date in January do the Greeks celebrate Christmas?

- 21. Which saint gave bags of gold to the poor and has since inspired us to give chocolate covered coins at Christmas time?
- 22. What did Harry Worth host on Christmas Day 1970 when it was shown in colour for the first time on BBC1?
- 23. What type of animal carried Mary to Bethlehem on its back?
- 24. Which Beatrix Potter book is set around Christmastide?

25. In the pantomime, what is the name of Aladdin's brother?

26. What is the favourite Christmas Dinner in Japan?

> 27. In which 1979 film did Fred Astaire play EIGHT different roles including Father Christmas? 28. Who sang Smoke Gets In

Your Eyes while wearing one of Eric Morecambe' boots?

29. "It is always winter and never Christmas" is a quote from which book?

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## Christmas **Pudding**

#### **Preparation time**

30 mins plus overnight soaking Cooking time 3 hours 30 minutes Serves: 6-8

#### Ingredients

- 350g luxury mixed dried fruit
- 100g ready-to-eat dried figs, chopped finger nail size
- 100ml stout, preferably chocolate stout
- 60g unsalted butter, room temperature
- 60g dark brown muscovado sugar
- 60g clear honey
- · 2 large eggs, room temperature, beaten
- 60g plain flour
- 125g fresh white breadcrumbs
- ½ tsp ground mixed spice
- 1/4 tsp grated nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 medium Cox's eating apple, cored and grated
- 10g chopped almonds
- 100g pine nuts
- 100g dark chocolate, perferably Divine

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#### **Preparation method**

- 1. Put the dried fruit, chopped figs and the stout into a mixing bowl. Stir well then cover with clingfilm and leave to soak for 8-12 hours, or overnight - if possible, give the mixture the odd stir now and then.
- 2. The next day, beat the butter with the sugar and honey in a large mixing bowl, using an electric whisk or wooden spoon. Gradually beat in the eggs, beating well after each addition and fold in the flour until evenly mixed.
- 3. In another bowl, mix the breadcrumbs with all the spices, grated apple, almonds and pine nuts. When thoroughly combined, stir into the egg mixture with the soaked fruit and any liquid in the bowl

  4. Break or chop the chocolate into small pieces
- and stir into the pudding mixture, making sure the chocolate is evenly distributed.
- 5. Spoon into a 1.1 litre buttered pudding basin. Tap the bowl gently on the work top to expel any air pockets then cover with a layer of greased greaseproof paper pleated in the middle to allow for expansion, then foil (or use a snap-on lid). Tie securely with string and loop the string across the top to make a handle for easy removal.
- 6. Steam or boil the pudding in a pan of boiling water: stand the bowl on an upturned saucer then pour in boiling water from the kettle so the water comes 2/3 up the side of the bowl.
- 7. Simmer gently for 31/2 hours, topping up with boiling water from time to time so the pan doesnt boil dry. Remove the bowl from the pan and when cold cover with fresh paper and foil. Store in the fridge
- 8. To serve steam or boil as before for 2 hours. Turn







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## **Mincemeat** slices \*\*

**Preparation time** 14 mins **Cooking time** 20 mins Makes: 12 slices



#### Ingredients

- 140a/5oz butter or margaine
- 85g/3oz soft brown sugar
- · 230g/8oz plain or whole wheat flour
- 114g/4oz poridge oats
- 340-455g/12-16oz mincemeat

#### **Preparation method**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200°C or 400°F
- 2. Grease a shallow baking tin, 11 x 7 inches.
- 3. Melt the butter or margarine gently in a large saucepan. Add the sugar and mix well.
- 4. While the butter and sugar are being heated up, mix the porridge oats & flour together in a
- **5.** When the butter & sugar mixture have turned to liquid, take the pan off the heat and add the flour & oat mixture gradually, stirring all the time. 6. When it is all thoroughly mixed and blended, spoon HALF the mixture into a well greased shallow baking tin
- 7. With the flat of your hand, press the mixture down firmly all over - making sure it gets into all the corners!
- 8. The firmer you press, the less crumbly it will be when it has been cooked & therefore easier to pick up and eat!



## Swedish Glog

**Preparation time** 5 mins Cooking time 15 mins

#### Ingredients

- 2x750ml bottles of fruity red wine
- 1x750ml bottle of port
- 3 cinnamon sticks
- 14 whole cloves
- 1 orange, peeled and cut into thin strips
- 1 cup white sugar or to taste
- 3/4 cup rum, or to taste
- 1 cup raisons
- 1 cup flaked almonds

#### **Preparation method**

- 1. Gently simmer the red wine, port wine, cinnamon sticks, whole cloves, and orange peel in a large pot set over medium-low heat. Stir in the sugar, rum, and brandy. Continue simmering 5 minutes more, stirring to completely dissolve the sugar, and the mixture is steamina but not boilina.
- **2.** Mix the raisins and almonds together in a bowl.
- 3. To serve, ladle into coffee cups or Swedish-style small alass or ceramic mugs. Garnish each cup with a spoonful of the raisin and almond mixture.



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Jon Kay, Naga Munchetty. 9.00 David Suchet: In the Footsteps of

2/2 How Paul brought Christianity to the Mediterranean world, before falling foul of the Romans

10.00 On Angel Wings

Animated adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's reworking of the Nativity.

10.30 The Santa Clause \*\*\*

Fantasy starring Tim Allen. A divorced father steps into Santa's shoes.

12.00 Bargain Hunt

In Corby, Northamptonshire. 1.00pm BBC News Weather: Regional News

1.20 Snow Chick: a Penguin's Tale Following the first few months in the life of an emperor penguin.

2.20-3.50 A Christmas Carol \*\*\* Animated fantasu based on Charles

Dickens's tale, starring Jim Carrey

3.50pm Finding Nemo ★★★★

Animated comedu adventure with the voices of Albert Brooks and Ellen De-Generes. Clownfish Marlin leaves the safety of the reef to rescue his son Nemo from a scuba diver

5.20 Harry Hill In Professor **Branestawm Returns** 

When Lady Pagwell dies, leaving a legacy to fund local inventina Branestawm thinks his money troubles are over. But scheming councillo Haggerstone insists that an inventina

contest be held to decide who gets the

6.20 BBC News

Regional News; Weather

6.40 Celebrity Mastermind

3/10. Radzi Chinyanganya, Damon Gough, Rebecca Root and Kriss Akabusi take turns in the black chair

7.10 Pointless Celebrities Christmas

Su Pollard and Jeffrey Holland, Colin Baker and Louise Jameson, Alison Hammond and Robin Windson and the Krankies play the game

8.00 Would I Lie to You? At Christmas Bill Baileu, Ruth Jones, Jo Brand and Dame Kelly Holmes tell festive fibs - or

8.30 EastEnders

Sharon drops a bombshell 9.05 Peter Kay: 20 Years of Funny

Contributions from friends and colleagues - as well as an interview with the man himself-combine to trace the life and career of the comedian, actor. writer and Director/Producer Ali Lynch. 10.05 Walliams and Friend

David Walliams returns with a new sketch show, with Joanna Lumley as his sidekick.

10.45 Not Going Out

Christmas Shopping. A trip to a department store turns Christmas upside

11 30 BBC News Weathe 11.45 Midnight Mass from St George's Cathedral, Southwark

Live service led by the Most Reverend Peter Smith.

1.00am Serendipity ★★★ Romantic comedy starring John Cusack and Kate Beckinsale. 2.25 Weathe

2.30 - 6.00am BBC News

BBC2\*

7.20 James Martin: Home Comforts at

10/10. With chef Paul Ainsworth **8.05 - 9.05 Sign Zone 8.05 This Wild Life** 5/10. The safari camp reopens. **8.35** Great British Menu The Northern Ire-

land chefs prepare main courses.

9.05 Bedknobs and Broomstlcks \*\*\* Musical fantasy starring Angela Lans-

11.00 The Hairy Bikers' Northern Expo Si and Dave taste some of Russia's finest foods

12.00 Natural World Gentoo penguins raising their chicks in

Port Lockroy in the Antarctic.

1.00pm Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit

★★★ Musical comedu starrina Whoopi Goldberg and Kathy Najimy.

2.45 Perry and Croft: Made In Britain

How the duo's comedies each encap-

sulated the end of an era.
4.15 2/2. Gordon sees the wolves as theu hunt.

5.15pm Carols from King's

The world-famous choir's traditional

celebration from the chapel of Kina's College, Cambridge opens, as even with a soloist singing Once in Royal David's Citu. Other well-loved carols include Away in a Manger, O Holy Night and O Come, All Ye Faithful. Poems by Christing Rossetti, Elizabeth Jennings

tivity story. 6.30 To the Manor Born

Living in reduced circumstances does not mean Audrey will relinquish her duties as Christmas approaches. The fesve special from 1979. 7.00 Dad's Army

and Thomas Merton help to tell the Na

For the Love of Three Oranges. Mainwaring finds himself bidding against Pike for an orange.

7.30 Christmas University Challenge

Baker and Barnaby Edwards, battle it out with former students from Maadalen College, Oxford, among them Louis Theroux and Matt Ridley.

8.00 MasterCheft the Professionals

e search for a chef to be crowned 2015 champion reaches its climax, as the three finalists face one last challenge. They are given three hours to cook a starter, a main course and a dessert, with each course showcasing the contenders' execution, flavour and

9.00 The Great History Quiz: the Tudors TV historians Lucy Worsley and Dan Snow put their reputations on the line

as they head up teams answering questions from Kirsty Young on all aspects of the Tudor erg.

10.00 The Scandalous Lady W
Period drama. Natalie Dormer stars as Seymour Lady Worsley, who escapes her troubled marriage and runs off with her husband's best friend, only to find herself at the centre of a very public trial.

11.30 Dial M for Murder \*\*\*

Thriller starring Ray Milland and Grace Kellu. When he discovers his wealthu wife Margot is having an affair with nov elist Mark Halliday, playboy Tony Wen dice hatches a murderous plot to

ensure he doesn't wind up penniless.

1.10-3.55am Sign Zone 1.10 Simply Nigella Christmas

Special A guide to stress-free festive cooking and entertaining.

2.10 Christmas Shopping Fever: John Lewis and the Retail Race

The staff are plunged into their busiest 3.10 James Martin: Home Comforts at

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6.00am CITV

7.00 Good Morning Britain (S) (HD) 8.30 Lorraine Entertainment and fashion

9.25 Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas Stop-motion animated adventure based

on the film Elf

Hosted by Stephen Mulhern.

Sci-fi comedu adventure with Michael J Fox. Marty McFly is whisked forward to

1.45-3.50 Small Soldiers \*\*\*

3.50pm National Lampoon's

Comedy. The Griswold family decides to spend a traditional Christmas at

Martine McCutcheon, Harry Redknapp Gwyneth Strong and their respective

6.45 ITV Evening News, weather

Mistakes from the past return to haunt Zak, while April causes a stir at the Na-

8.00 Coronation Street

As Rob plots his revenge, Tyrone is hoping for a Christmas miracle. Sarah has some advice for Kylie

8.30 The Abba Christmas Partu

Boyle, Alexandra Burke, Shayne Ward, Catherine Tyldesley, the Feeling, Scouting for Girls and the cast of Mamma Mia! - head to a Scandinavian lodge to perform some of Abba's bestknown songs.

Keith Lemon disturbs the decorations in the homes of three celebrities, challenging Stephen Mulhern, Claudia Winkleman and Jimmy Carr to guess their

Director Toby Baker; Series producer Arron Ferster

11.00 Christmas Carols on ITV Aled Jones joins the congregation of St

Elisabeth's in Reddish, Stockport, for a traditional candlelit service featuring

Britain's Got Talent winners Collabro. soul singer Toni Green and singer/songwriter Laura White.

Reeves and Alex Winter A representative from the future assists California

by enabling

tens to the final confession of a dying

3.15 Nightscreen Text information

5.05-6.00am The Jeremy Kyle Show

#### Channel4\*\*:

6.15am Small Animal Hospital Res-

7.00 The Big Bang Theory Double bill.
7.40 The Snowman Repeated 4.55pm
8.05 Father Christmas

Acclaimed animation, based on Raymond Briggs's book

Bart accidentally destrous the family's Christmas presents.

9.10 Animals United \*\*

Animated adventure featuring the voices

of James Corden and Stephen Fry.

10.55 Dr Seuss' Horton Hears a Who! \*\*\* Animated adventure based on the children's book, featuring the voice

of Jim Carrey.

12.30pm Stuart Little \*\*\*

Part-animated fantasy adventure based on EB White's story, starring Hugh Laurie.

2.10 Channel 4 News, Sport, Weather

2.15pm lt's a Wonderful Life \*\*\*\*

Classic fantasy drama. Businessman George Bailey is contemplating suicide, when his auardian anael shows him how life would have been had he never lived.

4.55 The Snowman Animation. A boy's snowman magically

comes to life.

5.25 The Snowman and the Snow A boy makes a snowman and a snow dog that come to life and take him to the North Pole.

6.00 Hollyoaks

dinner -from incorrect

Reenie and Porsche prepare to leave Holluoaks.

Mr Oliver is on hand to offer expert tips to take all the stress out of cooking for Christmas. He'll be focusing on what we fear most while preparing the family

timings to soggy roast potatoes and

dry turkey.

8.00 My Crazy Christmas Lights

In south London, Mick mounts an incredible display that really brings the magic of the season home to son Callum, who has cystic fibrosis. In Lancashire. Fred and Mick are deter those of the local town centre.

9.00 Eight out of Ten Cats

Christmas Special
A whole host of familiar faces join reg-ulars Jimmy Carr, Sean Lock and Jon Richardson for a look back at memo rable stories from the year Series producer Adam Hutchinson; Executive producers Richard Osman, Ruth Phillips and Andrew Westwell.

10.00 Rude Tube Christmas Cracker

Alex Zane delivers a sackful of treats, including the best way to un-decorate

Ep 15. The households' opinions on rent TV

1/6 Series 1. Will's private-school ways do not go down well at his new com prehensive.

12.35am 2/6. Simon and his friends

bunk off school. 1.05 3/6. The gang set off on their first

1.30 4/6. Will somehow pulls a popular

2.00 Man Down

In a Christmas special, Dan and friends Jo and Brian venture onto a farm.

2.30 1/6. Series 2.Dan goes on a date.
2.55 2/6. Dan tries to outdo another teacher's assembly during Commu nitu Week

3.25 Embarrassing Bodies Asymme 4.20 Benchmark Game show

5.10-5.30am Kirstie's Handmade Treasures

#### Channel5'\*

6.00am Milkshake

Piecing together

10.30 Gone with the Wind ★★★★

Oscar- winning romantic drama, set against the bloodshed and turmoil of the American Civil Wan starring Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable and Leslie Howard.

about the audacious RAF mission to

5.15 5 News

nessman is visited by three ghosts.

7.00 Christmas Makes You

Laugh Out Loud

producers Tim Clifford and Leon Kay

7.55 Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly:

In a 1973 TV special. Sinatra returns from a two-year retirement for a concert

Sinatra and Bing Crosby Bing joins in on a selection of seasonal

8.55 The Morecambe and Wise **Christmas Show** 

Nostalgic fun with Eric and Ern, featuring

**Greatest TV Moments** Memorable sketches and routines from the much-loved duo. Repeated New

11.00 Morecambe and Wise Live! 1973 A rare performance recorded at the

live show by the duo to be fully captured on film.

12.30am Scrooge Shown 5.20pm 2.15 SuperCasIno Live gaming.

ing down Africa's five big snakes. 4.25 Divine Designs Churches.

5.10 A cluttered West Midlands house. 5.35 A colourful property.

**Greatest TV Moments** 



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#### 10.25 Pick Me

11.25 Back to the Future Part II \*\*\*

2015 to prevent a crime involving his son. 1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News Weather

Action Man-type figures come to life and go on the rampage.

Christmas Vacation ★

home. But their peace is shattered as soon as the decorations start to go up and the relatives arrive

5.40 All Star Mr & Mrs

partners take part.

7.00 Emmerdale

tivity play.

An array of stars - including Susan

9.45 Through the Christmas Keyhole

10.45 ITV News Regional News Weather

everuone's favourite sonas of the season and performances bu

12.00 Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure \*\*\*\* Comedy starring Keanu

teenagers Bill and Ted's history studies

them to travel back in time 1.40am Murder She Wrote Jessica lis-

2.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA



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9.30 The Real Face

the historical clues about St Nicholas.

2.45pm The Dam Busters ★★★★ Classic Second World War drama

destrou the Ruhr dams

5.20 Scrooge \*\*\*\*

The classic British version of Dickens's tale. On Christmas Eve, a mean busi-

Featuring caterwauling carol singers, the tantrum to end all tantrums and an extremely long "Tacky Lights Tour". Series

OL' Blues Eues Is Back

alongside Gene Kelly. 8.25 Happy Holidays with Frank

hits, in an episode of The Frank Sinatro Show from 1957. Followed by 5 News Undate

celebrity guests including Alvin Stardust 10.00 Morecambe and Wise's

Year's Day 8pm

Ashcroft Theatre in Croydon, the only

4.00 Michaela's Wild Challenge Track-

4.45-6.00am House Doctor Highlights.

Morecambe and Wise's

10.00pm Channel5



Friday, December 25th



The Queen

BBC1 3.00pm

Her Majesty's Christmas Day address to the nation and the Commonwealth.



#### BBC1\*\*

9.00 Shrek the Halls Animated short.

9.20 Clangers

Tiny Clanger has a surprise.

9.35 Danger Mouse: the Snowman

10.00 LIVE Christmas Day Service from Bath Abbey Led by the Rev Edward Mason.

11.00 The Santa Clause 3: the Escape

A jealous Jack Frost causes chaos at the North Pole.

Europe's Most Wanted \*\* Animated comedu adventure.

1.50 New, Weather

2.00 Top of the Pops Christmas With Little Mix, Ellie Goulding, Coldplay and the Christmas Number One.

3.00-3.10 The Queen

Her Majesty's address to the nation and Commonwealth

3.10pm Brave \*\*\*

Animated fairy tale. Merida, a tomboy Scottish princess, flees the court when her parents insists she marries. But asking a witch for help brings chaos

4.45 Stick Man

Julia Donaldson's picture-book character Stick Man is caught up in an animated adventure as he tries to get back to his family for Christmas.

5.15 Doctor Who

The Husbands of River Sona, When a crashed spaceship calls upon his help, the Time Lord finds himself launched on a chase across the galaxy. Grea Davies and Matt Lucas guest-star.

6.15 Strictly Come Dancing

Claudia Winkleman and Tess Daly present as previous contestants Abbey Clancy, Harry Judd, Alison Hammond Cassidy Little, Lisa Snowdon and Tom Chambers compete. With a special appearance from Bruce Forsyth

7.30 Call the Midwife

1960: a trip to see the Regent Street lights makes it a Christmas to remember for Poplar

8.45 EastEnders

lan's hopes of a perfect Christmas fall end up arguing.

9.45 Mrs Brown's Boys

Mammy's Christmas Punch. In the first of two festive episodes. Agnes resolves to enjoy a peaceful Christmas at home

10.25 Michael McInture's Bia Christ-

With Dara O Brigin, Dame Edna Ever age, Paul Zerdin, Ellie Goulding and

11.25 BBC News, Weather

11.40 Love Came Down at Christmas David Ogden's new choral setting of the Christing Rossetti poem, Followed by National Lottery Update.

11.45 Comedy Blo

A selection of fluffed lines, corpsing and giggles

12.15am Not Going Out

1.00 Surviving Christmas \*

Comedy starring Ben Affleck. A man pays a family to let him spend Christmas with them

2.30-6.00am BBC News

#### BBC2\*\*

6.00am The Road to El Dorado ★★★ Animated adventure. Two Spanish tricksters search for the city of gold. 7.20 Galapagos: Islands of Change Natural World

The impact of tourism on the archipel-

8.20 Herbie Rides Again \*\*\* Comedy sequel to The Love Bug with

Helen Hayes and Stefanie Powers Herbie the magical car helps an old lady threatened with eviction.

9.45 The Cat in the Hat \*\* Fantasy comedy adventure. A giant

talking cat wreaks havoc.

The choir's celebration of Christmas 12.15pm Climbed Every Mountain: the Storu behind The Sound of Music

Sue Perkins discovers the true story be hind the real Von Trapp family. 1.15 The Good Life When I'm 65

Tom ponders the future, George Cole 1.45 - 3.05 Frankenweenie \*\*\*

Animated fantasy

A boy resurrects his pet don 3.05pm Tim Rice: a Life In Song

Michael Grade hosts a concert cele

brating one of the country's most successful musical luricists. 4.35 Romeo & Juliet

Traditional retelling of Shakespeare's tragedy. Two teenagers struggle to deal with the angst of frustrated love when they are caught on opposite sides of a feud between their families. 6.20 The Queen

Her Maiestu's annual address.

6.30 World's Sneakiest Animals

New series. 1/3. The devious tactics some creatures deploy to survive, such as baby birds who disguise themselves as caterpillars. Chris Packham pres-

7.30 Dad's Army

Turkey Dinner Can Captain Mainwaring really be a softie at heart? The struggling senior citizens of Walmington-on-Sea are about to find out.

A classic festive show of sketches and

8.50 Darcey's Ballet Heroes

From dressing rooms and rehearsal studios in London, Copenhagen, New York and beyond, Darcey Bussell em barks on a personal homage to her

9.50 QI

sonal merriment in the company of Jenny Eclain Johnny Vegas, Bill Bailey and Alan Davies

10.20 We're Doomed! Army Dad's Annu Storu

of Jimmy Perry and David Croft's writing partnership and their struggle to get the show on TV in 1968.

Comedu caper starring Colin Firth Cameron Diaz and Alan Rickman. Art curator Harru Deane cooks up a scheme to con his abusive boss into buying a fake Monet

12.40 - 2.20am The Trouble with

Harry \*\*\*\*

Alfred Hitchcock's black comedu star ring Edmund Gwenn and John Forsythe. Harry is dead and his corpse creates havoc among a group of people, all of whom think they were responsible for his demise

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6.00am CITV 8.25 Weekend at Christmas

Aled Jones chats with Laura Fraser James Morrison and Leona Lewis

9.25 Santa Claus \*\*

Comedy starring Dudley Moore and John Lithaow. An elf sells Santa's secrets

11.30 Happy Feet \*\*\*

Emperor penguins sing and dance in this musical animated adventure.

1.35pm Text Santa: One More Time Highlights

2.45 ITV News, weather

3.00 - 3.10 The Queen

the Queen

Her Maiestu's traditional address to the nation and Commonwealth

3.10pm Cameraman to the Queer

This year in the life of royal cameramar Peter Wilkinson offers a fresh portrait of

4.10 Countrywise Winter Wonderland

Ben Fogle climbs Helvellyn with the man whos job it is to battle the elements on the mountain every day. Paul Heineu experiences the stunning

landscape of the Peak District from a

5.00 Paul O'Grady: for the Love of Dogs at Christmas

Mr O tries to find homes for a young dachshund cross puppy with a bad heart and a chihuahua born with

6.00 ITV Evening News, weather

6.15 You've Been Framed! With Bells On

A pensioner throws fireworks at carol singers, and a Christmas fairy goes up

6.45 Emmerdale

Belle does nothing to disguise her loathing for Joanie.

7.45 Coronation Street

Tracy has a Christmas to remember Will David and Kylie make up?.

8.45 Downton Abbeu - the Fingle

New Year's Eve 1925: romance is in the air at Downton but, for some, the year's end will prove bittersweet.

10.45 Our Cilla

Celebrating the life and career of the much- loved singer and TV host, who died in August

11.45 ITV News, weather

12.00 Dr No \*\*\*\*

The first James Bond adventure.

Bond is sent to Jamaica to investigate the killing of a fellow agent and uncovers a plan to hold the USA to ransom

by threatening its space programme. 1.50am Murder She Wrote

A death casts a shadow over a wealthy businessman's partu

2.45 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA 3.25 - 6.00am Nightscreen

#### Channel4\*\*

5.55 Oilve, the Other Reindeer 6.45 Prep & Landing

Emmy-winning animation 7.05 Prep & Landing: Naughty v Nice

1.30 The Bear Heart-warming animation

8.00 A Turtle's Tale: Sammu's Adventures Animated adventure. An old turtle re-

flects on his eventful life. 9.40 The Simpsons Triple bill.

11.40 Toy Story Toons Three animated shorts

12.10pm Father Christmas Acclaimed animation 12.40 The Snowman

Atmospheric animation 1.15 The Snowman and the Snowdoo

3.25 News

1.45 The Muppet Christmas Carol \*\*\*\* Comedy fantasy. Scrooge is visited by ghosts to help him mend his selfish ways.

3.35 - 3.45 Alternative Christmas Message Channel 4's 3.45pm Scrooged \*\*\*

Comedy. Frank Cross. the youngest network president in television historu, is a man who hates Christmas and plans to exploit the holidays to attract as many viewers as possible, no matter what it takes. However Frank is about to be visited by three unconventional ghosts who will go to any lengths to make him change his mean-spirited ways.

5.45 Home Alone 2: Lost In New York ★★★ Sequel to the hit comedu. starring Macaulay Culkin and Joe Pesci. After becoming separated from his family en route to a Christmas holiday in Florida, Kevin McCallister finds himself alone in New York, where he's destined

to meet two old enemies. 8.00 Gogalesproas

A selection of the nation's children share their honest and often hilarious opinions on the best and worst of the year's TV from the comfort of their or homes, reacting to everything from The Great British Bake Off to the general election and Growing up Wild.

9.00 Alan Carr: Chatty Man

Christmas Special Among those joining Alan on the sofa for festive chat are Catherine Tate's Nan, Keith Lemon, Lorraine Kelly, Emma Willis and Marvin Humes. Music comes from Little Mix and One Direction

11.00 Eight out of Ten Cats Christmas **Special** 

A host of familiar faces join Jimmu Carr Sean Lock and Jon Richardson as they survey some of the most memorable

stories of the year.

12.05am Very British Problems at Christmas

Famous faces share their festive season foul-ups. 105 Ferris Bueller's Day Off \*\*\*

Comedy starring Matthew Broderick. When Ferris Bueller plays truant from high school, an illicit trip to downtown Chicago involves girlfriend Sloane, best friend Cameron and Cameron's father's prized red Ferrari. Out to foil Ferris are sister Jeanie and Dean of Students Ed Rooney. Will Ferris's luck run out?

2.50 Friday Night Dinner 1/6 Series 3. Adam finallu brings a airl

home for dinner 3.15 Gadget Man Richard Auoade takes on the British weather braving a hurricane with Tim Vine

3.40 Tackling the trials of public transport.

including Eric Clapton, Jimmy Cricket, Jim Davidson, Albert Lee and Lennie Paddy McGuinness hosts 4.55 Grand Designs Australia 5.50 - 6.15am How I Met Your Mother Peters joining the cockney duo.

#### Channel5\*

9.50 André Rieu's Christmas Spectacula Featuring Silent Night and White Christ-

10.50 - 1.05pm Scrooge ★★

Musical adaptation of Charles Dickens's A Christmas Carol, starring Albert Finney.

1.05pm Seven Brides for Seven Brothers

\*\*\*\* Hit musical. A rancher's new wife is horrified to discover that she has to look after his six unruly brothers.

3.10 The Wizard of Oz \*\*\*\*

Musical fantasy. When a tornado hits Dorothy's home in Kansas, she is whisked off far away into a strange world.

5.10 Michael Bublé's Christmas 2015 The crooner's seasonal soirée comes from LA, with guests including Celine

6.05 Britain's Favourite Christmas Songs

A countdown featuring many of the best-known Yuletide tunes

8.50 Chas & Dave's Xmas Knees Up! This shindig from 1982 sees quests including Eric Clapton, Jimmy Cricket, Jim Davidson, Albert Lee and Lennie Peters joining the cockney duo

9.40 Britain's Favourite Abba Songs The catchiest pop melodies and a

touch of Swedish melancholy combine on a countdown of 20 of the super troupers' most popular SODQS 11.05 Sinatra 100: an All-Star Gr

To mark the centenary of the singer's birth, Grammy winners including Tony Bennett, Garth Brooks, Usher and Alicia

Concert

Keys join forces on stage 1.25am Abba: Live In Concert

The band in concert at London's Wem bley Arena in November 1979. 2.35 SuperCasino Live gaming

4.00 Christmas with Britain's Biggest Familu The problems posed by Christmas to

large families. 4.45 - 6.00am House Doctor London. 5.10 A three-bedroom home in Durham.



Chas & Daves Xmas Knees Up! 8.50pm Channel5

This shindig from 1982 sees quests

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Saturday, December 26th



Top Gear: From A-Z

The first half of an alphabetical look at the motoring show. Concludes Wednesday, December 30th at 5pm



#### BBC1\*

#### With Naga Munchetty 10.00 Christmas Saturday Kitchen

With chefs Eric Chavot and Pascal Aussignac, Bake Off winner Nadiya Hussain and guest Christopher Biggins.

#### 11.30 James Martin: Home Comforts at Christmas

Transforming leftovers.

#### 12.15pm BBC News, weather

12.25 Football Focus

With Dan Walker, Latest score updates 1.00 Comic Relief 2015: Thanks a

This year's fundraiser

#### 2.00 Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out

The animated duo take a trip to the Moon.

#### 2.25 A Grand Night In:

#### The Story of Aardmar

A celebration of the animation studio that reveals how Morph, Shaun the Sheep and Wallace and Gromit first came to life

#### 3.25-4.45 Puss In Boots ★★★

Animated adventure with the voice of Antonio Banderas. The dashing feline sets off on a quest to find some magic beans.

#### 4.45pm The Croods ★★★

Animated comedy adventure with the voices of Emma Stone, Ruan Reunolds and Nicolas Cage. A prehistoric familu trek through hostile territoru in search of a new cave

#### 6.10 Shaun the Sheep: The Farmer's Llamas

In this Aardman Animations treat, Shaun is delighted when some mischieyous llamas arrive on the farm, but soon their antics go too far. With the voice of Justin Fletcher

Regional News; Weathe

#### 700 Dickension

New series, 1/20, Characters from Charles Dickens's novels provide the inspiration for Tony Jordan's sprawling drama

#### 7.30 EastEnders

Kat tells Martin that Alfie is still in Spain - unaware he is not far behind her.

#### 8.00 Still Open All Hours

New series. 1/6 Series 2. Granville and Gastric tru to get Madge into the festive spirit at a drinks party.

#### 8.30 Dickensian

2/20. Inspector Bucket

#### investigates a murder.

9.00 And Then There Were None New series, 1/3, Star-studded adapta

tion of Agatha Christie's celebrated mystery. Ten strangers are invited to an island off the coast of Devon, but when they arrive, their hosts are nowhere to

#### 10.00 BBC News, weather 10.20 The National Lotteru Live

#### Collabro perform.

#### 10.30 Match of the Day

Premier League action, including Chelsea v Watford

#### 12.05am The Guardian

Action adventure starring Kevin Costner and Ashton Kutcher.

#### 2.15 Weather

2.20 - 6.00am BBC News

#### BBC2\*\*

#### 6.00am Race to Super Bowl 50 Action from the week 15 fixtures 6.50 Flog It!

Making a profit at auction

#### 7.35 Tom Thumb \*\*\*

Fantasy musical starring Russ Tamblyn, Terru-Thomas and Peter Sellers, Two wicked men are intent on using the diminutive Tom in their evil plans.

#### 9.05 Hotel for Dogs ★★★

Two orphaned children open a refuge for stray mutts.

#### 10.35 Ten Pieces II

The BBC Philharmonic Orchestra perform recitals of ten classical works, with help from stars including Christopher Eccleston, James May and Pixie Lott.

#### 11.35 G-Force \*\*\*

Part-animated action adventure. Spe cialised guinea pig operatives take on an evil mogul.

#### 1.00pm Attenborough's Big Birds: Natural World

The fascinating range of large flightless

#### 2.00-3.00 Attenborough's Paradise Birds

The extraordinary behaviour of the ex-3.00pm Bedtime Stories ★★★

Fantasy comedy. A man's tales for some kids have a magical impact on

#### 4.30 Final Score

#### A round-up of the classified results 5.30 Don't Panic! The Dad's Army

Victoria Wood's 2000 tribute to the 6.20 We're Doomed! The Dad's Army

Comedy drama 7.20 Dad's Army

My Brother and I. In the 1975 Boxing Day special of the sitcom, Captain Mainwaring's brother visits.

#### 8.00 Top Gear: From A to Z

1/2. The first half of an alphabetical look at the motoring show. Concludes Wednesday, December 30th at 5pm.

#### 9.00 A Gert Lush Christmas

Comedy drama co-written by and star ring Russell Howard. Dan is about to introduce the woman of his dreams to his familu, but as theu are so auirku, will everything go to plan?

#### 10.00 Country Strife: Abz on the Farm

A tumultuous year ends for the former 5ive rapper and his singer/songwriter

#### girlfriend Vicky Fallon. 10.30 Backchat End of Year Shov

Celebrity guests help Jack Whitehall and his father Michael look back at events of the last 12 months.

#### 11.15 Kinky Boots \*\*\*

Comedy drama based on a true story. Charlie restores the fortunes of a shoe

factory by making reinforced heels for 1.00am Marnie ★★★★

Alfred Hitchcock's psychological drama with Tippi Hedren and Sean Conneru. A publisher forces a beautiful thief into a loveless marriage, but why did she become a kleptomaniac?

#### 3.05-4.40am Sign Zone: The Ecstasy of Wilko Johnson \*\*\*\*

After being diagnosed with pancreation cancen Dr Feelgood musician Wilko Johnson was determined to live out his remaining months plauing music. In director Julien Temple's documentary, Johnson discusses what he believed

#### ITV1\*\*

#### 6.00am CITV 9.25 Elf: Buddu's Musical Christma

Stop-motion animated adventure based on the film Elf.

#### 10.25 You've Been Framed!

Lookalike clips, including Matthew Kelly's unusual tattoo-removal method

#### 10.55 Back to the Future Part III \*\*\* Comedy adventure seguel with

Michael J Fox. Marty McFly must travel to the Wild West of 1885 to save Doc. 1.05pm ITV News Weather

#### 1.20-3.40 Jurassic Park \*\*\*\*

Adventure starring Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum and Richard Attenborough. Mauhem breaks loose on an island populated by genetically engineered dinosaurs.

#### 3.40pm Midsomer Murders

Dance with the Dead. Barnaby and Jones investigate a suspicious death, initially thought to be suicide, in the village of Morton Fendle

#### 5.40 ITV News Weather

#### 6.00 The Nation's Favourite Disney Song

A tribute to the enduringly tuneful tracks that have represented the veru best of Disney over the decades. Sonas the likes of The Jungle Book, Frozen, Mary Poppins and The Lion King Stephen Mulhern narrates.

#### 7.00 Surprise Surprise

Emotions are sure to run high as Olumpic gold medal-winning rower James Cracknell shares a few tips with an injured soldier who is about to cross the Atlantic and two people who spend all year helping the needy are recognised for their efforts. One Direction make the dreams of a young heart transplant survivor come true, and a brother and sister who haven't spent Christmas together for 25 years are re-

#### 8.00 Peter & Wendy

In this fantasy inspired by Peter Pan, Lucy, a young girl with a heart condition, is admitted to Great Ormond Street Hospital for an operation. There she makes a connection to JM Barrie's story of the boy who wouldn't grow up and is soon whisked away to her own magical Neverland.

#### 10.05 The Jonathan Ross Show

11/11. The host presents a special in which, in addition to charming his quests with his chat, he also invites them to take part in some light-hearted games - and springs a few surprises

#### 11.10 ITV News weather

#### 11.25 From Russia with Love \*\*\*\*

In the second James Bond film, 007 is sent to Istanbul to help a Russian diplomat defect to the West with an important cipher machine. However, he is unaware that he is being drawn into a

#### 1.25am Jackpot247

Interactive gaming.

#### 3.00 Murder, She Wrote

Jessica executes the will of an eccentric recluse.

#### 3.50-6.00am Nightscreen

Text information

#### Channel4'\*

#### 5.50am How I Met Your Mother

6.15 Ramona and Beezus ★★★
Comedy about a girl who has a chance to shine when her dad is made redun-

8.00 The Morning Line Nick Luck pres

### 9.00 The Big Bang Theory 10.25 The Simpsons Double bill. 11.25 Fantastic Mr Fox ★★★

Animated comedy adventure featuring the voice of George Clooney. Mr Fox is tempted to resume his old poaching

#### I.10-3.30pm LIVE Racing

The King George VI Chase is the feature race at Kempton Park at 3.10, plus there are other starts at 1.25, 2.00 and 2.35, and one race from Wetherby at 1.45. More tomorrow 1.10pm.

#### 3.30pm Home Alone 3 \*\*\*

Comedy. Young Master Pruitt is at home with chicken pox, but he's not going to be alone for long. Following a baggage mix-up, a stolen computer chip is hidden in one of his tous and four spies are determined to get it back 5.25 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather 5.35 The Secret Life of Children at

#### Children from the original Secret Life of Four-Year Olds, including Skyla and Cuba, reunite to put on their own ver-sion of the Nativity play along with some of the children from the current series. While Cuba struggles to work collaboratively, five-year-olds Emily and Alfie resume their friendship as

### they prepare to play sheep. 6.30 Britain's Favourite Children's Books with David Walliams

The comic and writer counts down the best children's stories while celebrities, including Rob Brydon, Miranda Hart, Meera Sual and Rufus Hound, recall their childhood literary loves. Writers, including Michael Bond, Judith Kern Lauren Childs and Dame Jacqueline Wilson, chat about their work and Sir Quentin Blake reveals how he brings Roald Dahl's tales to life. Extracts from the top 50, including Treasure Island, Just William and The Hobbit, are read by Julie Walters and Martin Freeman.

### A seasonal look behind the scenes at the superbrand. With more than half of

all sales coming in the last three months of the year, the staff at the Lega factory are gearing up for a hectic time as new lines are created to take advantage of the lucrative Christmas market. We also hear the story of the Addis familu, who have built a huae sculpture with the famous bricks in their Cam-bridgeshire living room every Decem-

#### ber for the last 20 years.

9.00 The Big Fat Quiz of the Year Rob Brydon, Sue Perkins, David Mitchell, Claudia Winkleman, Greg Davies and Jo Brand are challenged by Jimmy Carr to show exactly how much notice they've been taking over the last 12 months. Helping the host with the task are Simon Pegg, Heston Blumenthal, Olly Murs, Rita Ora, Charles Dance and Jon Snow

Director Mick Thomas; Series producer Ben Knappett.

#### 11.05 Rude Tube Christmas Cracker Alex Zane presents a compilation of 50 festive internet clips. 12.10am Alan Carr: Chatty Man Christ-

mas Special Catherine Tate's Nan, Keith Lemon

#### Lorraine Kelly, Emma Willis and Marvin Humes guest.

Clips on love and marriage

3.00 Hollyoaks Omnibus. 5.10-6.05am Location, Location

#### Channel5\*\*

6.00am Milkshake 9.10 The Saturday Show TV and film releases.

#### 11.10 The Dog Rescuers A dog is helped to cope with Christmas. 12.10-3.15pm The Secret Life of

#### Marilun Monroe \*\*

Kelli Garner stars in a biopic about the star's private world.

#### 3.15pm Diana ★★

Fact-based drama. With her marriage to Prince Charles now over, Diana, Princess of Wales immerses herself in a campaign to rid Africa of land mines and believes she has found happiness with heart surgeon Hasnat Khan. 5.05 One Chance \*\*\*

#### Comedy based on a true story. Bullied

at school and humiliated by his dad Paul Potts finds solace in music, leading to an appearance on Britain's Got

#### 7.05 Christmas Makes You Laugh Out

A look at some of the seasonal clips that have made a mark online. Presented by lain Lee. 8.05 Chas & Dave's Xmas Knees Up!

#### A shindig from 1982, with guests including Eric Clapton, Jimmy Cricket, Jim Davidson and Albert Lee.

9.00 Football League Tonight Kelly Cates and George Riley introduce highlights from the Championship and Leagues One and Two. Today's menu includes Hull City v Burnley and Derby

#### County v Fulham 10.30 Most Shocking Christmas TV Moments

Another cringe-fest of moments gleaned from the past 50 years of sea-

sonal broadcasting. Eamonn Holmes, Toyah Willcox, Anne Diamond Steve Punt and Mike Read are among those commenting on the catalogue of disasters - many of which they were involved in themselves.

#### 12.30am Can't Pay? We'll Take It

13/13 Series 3. A Crystal Palace family made homeless by their landlord.

#### 1.25 SuperCasino

Live gaming. 3.10 Kids' Hospital at Christmas: Revisited A catch-up with the youngsters who

#### featured in last year's festive series. 4.00 Chris Tarrant on the Polar Ex-

3/6 Series 2. A 2,000-mile railway trip from Moscow to Arctic Siberia. 4.50-5.45am Make It Big

#### The raffle money goes missing. 5.15 The first-ever enisode

#### The Secret Life of Marilyn Monroe

12.10-3.15pm Channel5 Kelli Garner stars in a biopic about



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## Television

Sunday, December 27th



Still Open All Hours BBC1 8.00pm

Granville is having a cut-price sale but only on old stock not the boiled ham or new inflatable underwear support

#### Countryfile 6.30pm **BBC1**

ing uear The team spend a day on the farm as Adam Hen-son prepares for the new uear ahead. and they also look back at previous years with some

#### BBC1'\*

Roger Johnson, Naga Munchetty 7.40 Match of the Day

9.15 Flushed Away \*\*

Animated comedu adventure with the voices of Hugh Jackman and Kate Winslet.

#### 10.35 Megamind ★★★★

Animated comedy adventure with the voices of Will Ferrell and Brad Pitt 12.00 Bargain Hunt

In Grimsthorpe, Lincolnshire

1.00pm BBC News w

for the Week Ahead 1.15 Sonas of Praise

#### Stories from the past year

1.50 - 4.05 Mary Poppins ★★★★ Disney musical comedy starring Julie

Andrews. London banker George Banks's search for a nanny to take care of his two naughty and unhappy children comes unstuck when Mary Poppins and her magic umbrella glide into their lives.

#### 4.05pm Oz the Great and Powerful

Fantasy prequel to The Wizard of Oz. After being caught in a terrifying tornado, travelling magician Osca Diggs finds himself in a fantastical land where his dodgy carnival con-tricks convince the inhabitants that he is a powerful wizard.

#### 6 05 BBC News

Regional News; Weather

6.30 Countryfile
A look at the farming year The team spend a day on the farm as Adam Henson prepares for the new year ahead, and they also look back at previous years with some favourite items from the archives. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

3/20. Bucket goes to see his old enemy, Fagin, convinced he is involved in Marley's murder. Following a lead he goes after Fagin's henchman Bill Sikes. Frances sees a way of scuppering her sister's plans. Continues 8.30pm.

#### **8.00 Still Open All Hours** 2/6 Series 2. Granville is having a cut-

price sale but only on old stock, not the boiled ham or new inflatable underwear support system on special promotion.

4/20. At the Havisham New Year's party, Amelia is delighted to see her brother Arthur but is perturbed by an uninvited quest. Frances rekindles an old friendship hoping it may be more Continues New Year's Day 8.30pm. 9.00 And Then There Were None

2/3. The guests on Soldier Island are dying, one by one, according to the nes of the nursery rhyme Ten Little Soldier Boys. As they make plans to thwart the killer the bodu count continues to rise. Continues tomorrow 9pm.

#### 10.00 BBC News

#### Regional News; Weather. 10.25 Catherine Tate's Nan

1/2 The first of two specials featuring the foul-mouthed pensioner Nan's aggressive attitude gets her into trouble with the police

#### 11.00 Miranda Hart: My What I Call Live Show

A performance filmed at London's O2

#### 12.00 Ghost Town \*\*\*

Supernatural romantic comedy with Ricku Gervais When a Manhattan dentist wakes up after briefly dying during an operation, he realises he

has the ability to see dead people 1.35am Weather for the Week Ahead

6.20am Big Dreams Small Spaces Monty Don helps create gardens in

spired by Norway and Japan.
7.20 Countryfile: Cornish Coastal Christmas

Festive reports from Cornwall.

8.15 A Man for All Seasons \*\*\*

Oscar-winning historical drama starring Paul Scofield. When Henry VIII de-clares himself head of the English church, he seeks the approval of only one man, his chancellor Sir Thomas

#### More. 10.15 Saturday Kitchen

Best Bites Highlights.

11.45 The Hairy Bikers and Lorraine Pascale: Cooking the Nation's Favourite Food The cooks offer their twists on the UK's ten best-loved meals.

12.45pm The Secret Life of Mary Pop-

#### pins a Culture Show Special

The life of author PL Travers who wrote the children's classic. With Victoria Coren Mitchell.

1.45 - 3.20 The Cockleshell Heroes ★★★★ Second World War drama directed by and starring José Ferrer with

## Wartime thriller starring Kirk Douglas and Richard Harris. Occupied Norway 1942: a team of resistance fighters un-

dertakes the vital and dangerous mission to destroy a heavy-water plant to prevent the Nazis producing an atomic

#### 5.25 Porridge

No Way Out. Fletch discovers his fellow inmates at Slade Prison are planning to escape and decides to hide in the hos pital so he can't be blamed when the tunnel is discovered. The Christmas edition of the classic comedy from 1975, starring Ronnie Barker.

#### 6.10 Deep Impact ★★★★

Sci-fi drama starring Robert Duvall Téa Leoni and Morgan Freeman. A reporter believes that she has discovered a sex scandal in the US government. As it turns out, "Ele" isn't a mistress, but something used to describe an event so cataclysmic that it

#### could destroy the planet. 8.00 Dragons' Den

In a one-off episode, the Dragons turn 50 shades of angry over a product that promises to banish grey hairs, and they get more than they bargained for when a zombie boot camp business turns the Den into a little shop of horrors.

#### 9.00 Gorilla Family and Me

2/2. Wildlife cameraman Gordon his gorilla family in the Democratic Republic of Congo but finds theu face a new nreat - there are poachers in the forest

#### 10.00 U2: Innocence and Experience Live in Paris

A restaging of the concert that had been due to take place on 14 November but was cancelled following

the Paris terrorist attacks. Staged in the round, there are multiple performance areas in a concert showcasina U2's latest album Songs of Innocence, featuring Iris, Cedarwood Road and

Song for Someone - as well as a selection of their hits

#### 12.15am Telstar: the Joe Meek Story

### Biographical drama starring Con O'Neill and Kevin Spacey. In the 19605, music producer Joe Meek invented new methods of recording that resulted in a string of hit records. But behind the genius there was a troubled soul who could be prone to violent outbursts, which would ultimately lead to tragedy. 2.10 - 5.05am Sign Zo

- 2.10 Countryfile
- 3.05 Holbu Citu

#### ITV1\*\*

#### 6.00am CITV 8.25 Weekend at Christma

Aled Jones's quests include Rafe Spall and the Corrs.

#### 9.25 Countrywise Rural reports

#### 9.55 Celebrity Squares

Guests include Frank Skinner Nina Wadia, Katherine Kelly and Aisling Bea.

10.40 Superman ★★★★ Christopher Reeve stars as the Man of Steel in the epic fantasy adventure.

A baby from planet Krypton is sent to Earth by his father and found in the American Midwest. He grows up to become reporter Clark Kent, a man with

#### superhuman powers 1.30pm ITV News

Weather; Regional Weather

#### 1.4 - 3.35 Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium ★★

Fantasy comedy drama starring Natalie Portman and Dustin Hoffman.

#### 3.35pm Midsomer Murders

The Axeman Cometh. A string of bizarre warnings convinces a paranoid rock singer that someon is trying to stop the reunion of his band.

#### 5.30 Regional News Weather

#### 5.45 ITV News Weather

#### 6.00 You've Been Framed! With Bells On Comedy clips including a fairy going up

6.30 Jekyll and Hyde

9/10. The Incubus. Robert seeks sand tuaru at the Jezequiel House in the country and takes Olalla and Ravi with him. But he discovers that a monster has aot there first.

#### 7.30 10/10. The Heart of Lord Trash

A revived Dance launches an attack on MIO to complete his mission and resurrect Lord Trash, while Robert discovers that one of his friends has deceived

#### 8.30 Harry Price: Ghost Hunter

Drama starrina Rafe Spall as Britain's most famed real-life ghost hunter When MP's wife Grace Goodwin is found naked on a London street, Harry Price is summoned to investigate claims that Sarah Grey helps Harry uncover a dark history surrounding the Goodwin's Finchley home. Can he find a rational explanation for the haunting, or is there more to this case than even he can understand?

#### 10.30 ITV News

Weather; Regional Weather

#### 10.45 Through the Christmas Keyhole Stephen Mulhern, Claudia Winkleman

and Jimmy Carr try to identify the owners of the homes Keith Lemon has been snooping in.

#### 11.45 Rugby Union

Premiership action including Harlequins against Gloucester and Wasps v Saracens.

#### 12.35am Jackpot247

Interactive gaming.

#### 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA

3.40 Nightscreen Text information.

#### 5.05 - 6.00am The Jeremy Kyle Show

#### Channel4\*\*

Drama starring Tammin Sursok and Patrick Warburton

#### 7.40 Paws \*\*\*

Comedy adventure starring Billy Connolly as the voice of a computer-literate Jack Russell dog. Director Karl Zwicky

#### 9.20 Sunday Brunch

With guests Hugh Fearnley- Whittingstall, Johnny Vegas and Kym

12.20pm The Simpsons Double bill.

#### 1.10 - 3.35 LIVE Racing Starts from Chepstow are at 1.25,1.55, 2.35 and 3.10, and from Kempton Park

at 1.40, 2.15 and 2.50. Nick Luck and Rishi Persad present 3.35pm Hugo ★★★

Fantasy adventure. An orphan boy who lives in a Paris railway station befriends an old man while trying to repair a mysterious automaton

#### 5.55 Channel 4 News: Sport: Weather 6.00 Celebrity Fifteen to One

Comedian Adam Hills holds all the anwers as he hosts a festive edition of the guiz show, with a prize for the charity chosen by the celebrity who wins.

7.00 Million Pound Motors

Exploring the vintage car trade, and following salesman Richard Biddulph as he tries to sell rare and expensive vehicles to wealthy customers. Richard is determined to acquire an extremely valuable collection of rare cars worth millions, while his apprentice Paul Fox is more concerned with securing his first sale. However keeping their demanding clients happy proves a chal-

#### 8.00 Walking the Himglaugs

New series. 1/4. Explorer Levison Wood attempts to walk the entire length of the Himalayas. Starting in Afghanistan, he will push himself to his limits as he treks 1,700 miles across the roof of the world, teaming up with local guides and meeting soldiers, monks and nomadic tribes. As well as tackling seeminalu impassable natural obstacles and suffering altitude sickness, Levison has to tread carefully through one of the most fought-over areas of the world. 9.00 Homeland

#### 12/12 Series 5. A False Glimmer The

clock is running out fast in this final 10.00 Eight out of Ten Cats Does

#### Countdown Christmas Special Guests include Johnny Vegas, Kather

ine Ruan and David O'Doherty. Jimmy Carr is the host.

#### 11.00 The Inbetweeners 2

Comedy sequel. When Jay describes Australia as "the sex capital of the world", Neil, Will and Simon can't wait to pay him a visit.

#### 12.55am The Inbetwee 5/6 Series 1. The lads

visit a Camber Sands caravan club

1.25 6/6. Will organises the Christmas

1.55 5/6 Series 2. Will tries to snare a university student.

2.20 6/6. The friends prepare for their

#### 2.50 That Touch of Mink \*\*\*

Romantic comedy starring Cary Grant and Doris Day. 4.30 Benchmark

#### Paddy McGuinness hosts

5.15 - 6.10am Location, Location, Location Two couples who wanted a dream life

#### Channel5\*\*

#### 10.15 Football League Tonight 11.45 Cromwell \*\*\*

Historical drama starring Richard Harris and Alec Guinness. The divide between Oliver Cromwell and King Charles I becomes a feud that takes them from Parliament into a full-scale battle.

#### 2.25 - 4.45pm The Searchers \*\*\*\*

Classic western starring John Wayne John Ford's masterpiece tells the story of Ethan Edwards and his five-year Search for the last surviving member of his family - a young girl.

#### 4.45pm Escape to Victory ★★★

Second World War drama. As a propaganda stunt, the Nazis arrange a football match between the national German team and a sauad made up of prisoners of wan However the PoW team see the game as a chance to es-

#### 7.00 World's Strongest Man

The finals begin in Malausia, where events include the kettlebell throw and atlas stones. British hopes rest on the broad shoulders of the likes of Eddie Hall and Mark Felix, both veterans of the competition.

#### 7.55 5 News

#### 8.00 On Benefits: Cashina in for Christmas

Christmas for people living on state welfare. Single mother Marie struggles to buy presents for her eight children. but receives good news about a bigger home, while best mates Bennett and Stevo rummage through bins for the food that shops in Nuneaton throw awau

#### 9.00 Most Shocking Celebritu Moments

A alimpse back at another uear of incidents involving celebrities. Some. like Justin Bieber and Mileu Curus, continued courting controversy as they

Jeremy Clarkson, meanwhile, discovered disputes on location are not a good career move. Madonna was swept off her feet in that Armani cape, and Caitlyn Jenner announced her arrival in the transgender community with a cover for Vanity Fair.

#### 11.55 The Last Hours of Robin Williams

Forensic pathologist Dr Richard Shepherd investigates the death of the actor and comedian, whose body was discovered at his San Francisco home in August 2014

#### 12.55am SuperCasino Live gaming. 3.10 A Primaru School Nativitu

Life at Gascoiane Primaru School in Barking during the build-up to Christmas

#### 4.00 House Doctor

A bland property near Leamington Spa-Warwickshire.

#### 4.25-5.45am Make It Big

Things are not going to plan for Graham. 4.50 The youngsters organise an auction. 5.20 Simon and Jamie annou Chris



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Monday, December 28th



#### Eastenders

BBC1 8.00pm

Dean's drunken behaviour spirals out of control Next episode tomorrow 7.30pm.

#### The Gruffalo 3.55pm **BBC1**

Animation that tells the tale of a plucky mouse who invents a monster to help overcome predators.



#### BBC1'\*

Louise Minchin, Bill Turnbull, 9.00 Bee Movie \*\*\*

Animated comedy, Pollen jock Barry B Benson becomes lost and breaks bee law when he talks to a florist

10.20 Old Jack's Boat Special:

Storm In a Teacup

Clumsy Ernie ruins plans for a tea festi-

Animated comedy adventure. A canine TV star thinks he's a real hero, until an accident reveals the truth.

12.30pm Bargain Hunt In Peterborough

1.10 BBC News

Weather; Regional News 1.30 Father Brown

2/10 Series 1. The priest investigates of

supposed drowning. Mark Williams stars 2.20-3.55 Cool Runnings \*\*\*

Sports comedy, based on a true story, starring John Candy. A sprinter forms Jamaica's first-ever Olympic bobsleigh

3.55pm The Gruffalo

Animation that tells the tale of a plucky overcome predators.

4.25 Madagascar ★★★

Animated comedu adventure featurina the voices of Ben Stiller Chris Rock and Marty tries to escape his comfortable existence at the Central Park Zoo and return to the wild.

Quiz show presented by Alexander

6.30 BBC News

Regional News; Weather.

7.00 Celebrity Mastermina

4/10. Tom Kerridge, Steph Houghton Rob Delaneu and Dominic Wood are quizzed on Oasis, TOWIE, John Belushi

7.30 Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death

The duo are plying a roaring trade with their bakery business. But a

8.00 EastEnders

Dean's drunken behaviour spirals out of control. Next episode tomorrow 7.30pm. 8.30 Miranda The Flnal Curtain.

The shopkeeper makes one final at tempt to accept herself and find con-

9.05 And Then There Were None

3/3. The surviving guests of Soldier Island are in danger of losing their minds. With the likelihood of survival rapidlu diminishing, they must turn to one an-

10.05 BBC News

Regional News: Weather

10.30 Match of the Day

Including Manchester United v Chelsea at Old Trafford and Arsenal v Bournemouth at the Emirates Stadium. 12.00 Lewis Hamilton: Makina Historu

A look back at this year's championship 1.00am Weather for the Week Ahead 1.05 - 6.00am BBC News

BBC2\*\*

A Kent pad.

7.15 Escape to the Contin

A Wiltshire couple who want to move to Dubrovnik, Croatia.
7.45-8.45 Sign Zone This Wlld Life

6/10. Saba Douglas-Hamilton is on the

lookout for newborn lion cubs. 8.15 7/10. Saba's quests are stranded in the midst of a scorching African sum-

8.45 Ivanhoe \*\*\*\*

Medieval adventure starring Robert Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor and Joan

10.30 The Hairy Bikers' Northern Ex-

Simon rustles up delicious pastries in Finland.

11.30 The Great Pottery Throw Down 4/6. The potters craft a 5ft garden sculpture out of clay.

12.30pm Les Dawson Talking Comedy A selection of the comedian's appear-

ances on BBC shows.

1.00 The Bear Family and Me

Cameraman Gordon Buchanan heads to the forests of Minnesota

2.00 Coast Exploring the Irish Sea. 3.00 Atlantic: the Wildest Ocean on How the Gulf Stream serves as a migra-

4.00-4.30 Flog It!

A Regency tea caddy in Stroud.

4.30pm Final Score

A round-up of the classified football re-5.30 The Clare Balding Sports Show

2/10 Series 2. Clare is joined by two-time Olympic champion cyclist Geraint Thomas, former F1 driver Mark Webber

and jump jockey AP McCoy.

6.00 What Women Want \*\*\*

Romantic comedy. Chauvinist advertis ing executive Nick Marshall is horrified when the promotion he thought would be his goes to a woman. But everything changes after he suffers a freak accident and discovers that he can hear the houghts of every woman around him 8.00 Christmas University Challenge 6/10. In the penultimate first-round match, the University of Aberdeen, featuring broadcaster Nicky Campbell and Scot-tish Labour leader Kezia Dugdale, vies with Sheffield University's past pupils, including science presenter Adam Hart and thriller writer Nicci Gerrard.

8.30 Only Connect

The Wayfarers and Bookworms return for a fourth and concluding auarterfinal match, drawing on patience and inspiration to make links between groups of four things that may at first

9.00 Behind the Candelabra \*\*\*

Biographical drama. When Liberace is introduced to young Scott Thorson in 1977, the flamboyant pianist is already the world. Scott is at first seduced and then overpowered by the larger-thanlife character and his opulent lifestyle But their six-uear relationship is volatile and is kept secret from Liberace's ador

10.50 Two Doors Down One-off comedy. Family, friends and neigh bours descend on Beth and Eric, ruining their Hogmanay as secrets are revealed, scores settled and a gazebo

is destroyed. 11.50 Dragons' Den 12.50-3.50am Sign Zone

12.50 The Apprentice: The Final

2.50 Doctor Who: The Husbands of

#### ITV1'¥

6.00am CITV 9.25 Dickinson's Real Dea

From Wilmslow

10.30 Judge Rinder

Real-life legal disputes 11.30 Who's Doing the Dishes?

Singer Alexander O'Neal plays dinner

host to four strangers.

12.30pm Catchphrase

Game show. 1.15 Lunchtime News

Regional News; Weather

1.30 Our Cilla

Celebrating the life of the much-loved singer and TV presenter

2.30-3.30 Surprise Surprise

With Olympic rowing gold medallist James Cracknell.

3.30pm Midsomer Murders

The Dark Rider. When Bentham De-Quetteville falls to his death from a roof after seeing a headless horseman, his family seem more concerned about their forthcoming Civil War re-enact-

5.30 Hedgehog Hotel

With hedgehog numbers in steep decline, this documentary follows the progress of some of the prickly fellows as they're prepared for a return to the wild after being rescued.

6.25 Regional News weath 6.45 ITV Evening News Weather

700 Emmerdale

Zak tries to undo the damage he's

caused. 7.30 Coronation Street

Carla is concerned when Johnny drags her back to his flat to talk. Continues

8.00 Countrywise

8/8 Series 7. Liz Bonnin travels to Formby to take part in the National Trust's biggest coastal wildlife survey and Paul Heiney learns about engines at the Great Dorset Steam Fair.

8.30 Coronation Street

Carla is staggered by a revelation from Johnny

9.00 John Bishop's Gorilla Adventure

The comedian joins the Gorilla Doctors, a group of vets dedicated to saving the 880 mountain gorillas left in the wild. The vets trek for hours each day through mud and rain in the forests of Rwanda to monitor the health of every gorilla, treating them expertly at the first sign of illness or injury.

#### 10.00 ITV News at Ten Weather

10.15 The Holiday \*\* Romantic comedy starring Cameron

Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law and Jack Black, Workaholic Amanda exchanges her California home for the remote Surrey cottage of journalist Iris. However the swap soon leads to romantic entanglements for the two women

12.45am Jackpot247

Interactive gaming.

3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show

3.55 Nightscree

Text information 5.05-6.00am The Jeremu Kule Show

#### Channel4\*\*

Triple bill.

mer Summer \*

with her aunt.

6.10am Small Animal Hospital

A young mare needs surgery and a spaniel is diagnosed with meningitis.

6.50 See Spot Run \*\*\*

10.05 Judy Moody and the Not Bum

Comedy. A schoolgirl spends summer

Canine comedu. Great Dane Mar-

maduke moves to a new home in Cali-

Fantasy adventure. The mouse loses

Fantasy adventure retelling the Snow

White story. A feisty princess returns to claim her birthright when her wicked

stepmother banishes her from the kina-

6.30 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather

**6.35 Hollyoaks**The pressure is at fever pitch for Lisa.

The world of decorative ice is big busi-

ness and is expected to see a 50 per

cent increase over the festive period.

This documentary showcases the tal-

ents of pioneering performance ice

sculptors, who demonstrate their craft in flamboyant shows and challenge

world records, before discovering just

how exclusive and expensive frozer

8.00 The World's Most Expensive

New Yorker Jerry Toth is attempting to

break into Britain's lucrative luxury food market with his To'ak chocolate, which

costs £195 Each bar comes with a

wooden box, a 100-page booklet and a

pair of tasting tweezers. He pitches to

a chocolate retailer, wealthy discerning customers and finally to Harrods. Will

Armchair critics, including lovable Leon

and June, "posh couple" Steph and Dom, hairdressers Christopher and

Stephen, and Brixton women Sandu

and Sandra provide the audience with

a recap of the past 12 months on the small screen, from Saturday-night en-

tertainment to the week's big soap sto-

A look at how more ill-advised body art is transformed, with tattooists Jay and

Sketch, who are now joined by Alice in

the pop-up parlour. Jordan wants to

camouflage the tattoo he had done to

win an argument and calls on Jay to create a tribute to his grandfather,

while Alice covers a likeness of a

The magician pays a visit to Stephen Hawking's office - but will his seemingly

Horror starring Gregory Peck, An infant

Political drama starring Jane Fonda. A TV reporter lifts the lid on a govern-

cringeworthy celebrity crush.

11.40 David Blaine: Real or Mo

impossible antics hoodwink

renowned theoretical physicist?

12.50am The Omen \*\*\*\*

2.45 The China Syndrome \*\*\*

ment cover-up.

Paddy McGuinness hosts.

and arittu dramas to

11.50 The Simpsons Triple bill

2.55-4.25 Stuart Little 2 \* \* \*

4.25pm Mirror Mirror ★★

7.05 A Frozen Christmas

water can be.

he find any takers?

hard-hitting docum

10.35 Tattoo Fixers

his heart to a bird called Maraalo.

Comedy with David Arquette. FBI superdoa Agent 11 deprives a Mob smug-Musical starring Gene Kelly. A painter gler of part of his body.

8.35 The Big Bang Theory falls in love with a poor orphan.

Musical starring Gene Kelly and Frank Sinatra. Joe and Clarence, two sailors on shore leave, stumble across a small

bou and his beautiful aunt.

Musical comedy. Time is short if playbou composer CK Dexter-Haven is to reclaim his beautiful ex-wife Tracu Lord

6.00 Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild

avoid the hungry golden eagles.

In heat two of the grand final, Hafthor "Thor" Biornsson (aka Game of Thrones' mighty Mountain) takes part alongside British hope Graham Hicks and America's Josh Thiapen.

750 5 News

8.00 Building the Ice Hotel

of snow and 10,000 tons of ice into northern Sweden's ICEHOTEL.

Followed by 5 News Update

Continuing the channel's celebration of the late singen this profile, filmed from a British perspective, charts Sinatra's career from boy singer in Hoboken, New Jerseu, to superstar.

A 1974 show at Madison Sauare Gar-

11.00 Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly:

In a 1973 TV special, the duo perform including You Will Be My Music and We

11.35 Happy Holidays with Frank Singtra and Bing Crosbu

Show from 1957

Live aamina

3.10 The Dog Rescuers

Alan Davies hosts a party for some of

4 50-6 00am House Doctor

under-Lyme. 5.10 A home in Henleu-on-Thames.

5.35 A cottage in Durham.

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Channel5\*\*

5.45am Milkshakel

9 50 World's Strongest Man

Shown yesterday 7pm 10.50 An American In Paris ★★★

1.00-3.55pm Anchors Aweigh ★★★

3.55pm Hlgh Society \*\*\*

before she marries another.

1/4. In spring, the mountain hares try to

6.55 World's Strongest Man

The annual task of turning 30,000 tons

9.00 The Frank Sinatra Storu

10.00 Frank Sinatra Live in New York

den in which the singer performs classics including All the Way, The Lady is a Tramp, I've Got You Under My Skin, My Kind of Town and My Way.

Ol' Blue Eyes Is Back

Can't Do That Anymore.

A festive enisode of The Frank Sinatro

12.05am Football League Tonight 1.35 SuperCasino

4.00 Michaela's Wild Challenge

4.25 Divine Designs Postwar ecclesiastical architecture.

Revamping a property in Newcastle-

Tuesday December 29th



#### BBC1 9.00pi **David Beckham:** For the Love of the Game

The former England captain combines passions as he kicks a ball around the globe. He plays a football match on all seven continents in under ten days, ending with a fundraising all-star match at Old Trafford, all in aid of Unicef. En route he meets tribal people in Papua New Guinea, schoolchildren in Nepal, refugees in Djibouti and plays with a team of international scientists in Antarctica

#### **American Pie** 10.25pm **ITV1**

Comedy starring Jason Biggs, Chris Klein and Natasha Lyonne. Four teenage boys pledge to lose their virginity before their high-school prom, but their efforts will have hilarious and outrageous consequences.

Regional News; Weather.

BBC1\*

Sally Nugent, Bill Turnbull.

Animated comedy adventure, with the

voices of Will Smith and Robert De Niro.

Animated comedy with the voices of

Owen Wilson and Michael Caine. Light-

ning McQueen gets mixed up in espi-

12.00 Bargain Hunt From Edinburgh

1/10 Series I. A man is murdered at

2.00 - 4.00 National Treasure \*\*

4.00pm The Gruffalo's Child

searches for the big, bad mouse

the unveiling ofa new church clock

Fifties-set crime drama with Mark

Action adventure starring Nicolas Cage

One wild and windy night, the

Gruffalo's daughter goes out and

4.25 Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa \*\*

Animated comedu sequel. The es-

caped animals try to fly back from

Madagascar but are forced down in the

5/10. Vincent Franklin, Chris Warburton,

Graham Fellowes and Christian Mal-

Shirley makes a shocking discovery

about Dean. Next episode New Year's

Beginnings. Serena resigns herself to

another lonely New Year's Eve. Ric is

back but finds it hard to adapt to the

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refugees in Djibouti and plays with a

team of international scientists in

changes that have taken place

Mo receives a surprising proposal

7.30 Match of the Dau

9.00 Shark Tale \*\*\*

10.20 Cars 2 \*\*\*

Weather: Regional News

1.10 Father Brown

Williams

and Jon Voight

wilds of Africa.

6.30 BBC News

5.45 Pointless Quiz show.

Regional News; Weather.

colm take to the chain

7.30 EastEnders

Day 6.30pm.

the Game

Antarctica

10.15 BBC News

8.00 Holby City

7.00 Celebritu Mastermind

Followed by National Lottery Update.

10.40 Peter Kay's Car Share

4/6. Kauleigh has exciting news. Writers Peter Kay, Sian Gibson, Tim Reid and Paul Coleman.

11.10 Mrs Brown's Boys

The Virgin Mammy, Agnes has finished the script for her unorthodox Nativity

11.40 Boomers

The friends endure an uncomfortable train journey.

12.10am Weather for the Week Ahead 12.15 - 6.00am BBC News

London, Devon. 7.15 Escape to the Continent Cyprus. **7.45 - 8.45 Sign Zone**7.45 This Wild Life 8/10. The drought be-

gins to make everyday life difficult. 8.15 An Island Parish: Falklands

/6. Plans are made to commemorate Liberation Day.

8.45 Show Boat \*\*\*\*

BBC2\*\*

Classic musical with Kathryn Grayson, Ava Gardner and Howard Keel. On board a Mississippi show boat, the captain's daughter falls for a habitual gam-bler who struggles to reform his ways. 10.30 The Hairy Bikers' Northern Ex-

The bikers sample cuisine in Sweden 11.30 The Great Pottery Throw Down 5/6. The potters make a decorative

chandelier in bone china.

12.30pm Peter Sellers Talking Comedy Clips of the actor in interviews discussing his life and career

Gordon Buchanan discovers that Hope has been abandoned

2.00 Coast Britain's first lifeboat station 3.00 - 4.00 Atlantic: the Wildest Ocean

on Earth Dolphin pods and penguin colonies. 4.00pm Flog It!

Paul Martin visits a Victorian kitchen 4.55 Super-Powered Owls: Natural World This film reveals the "super powers"

that make the owl the supreme nocturnal bird of prey.

5.55 Finding Neverland \*\*\*

Fictional account of the evolution and creation of children's classic Peter Pan. Barrie's lacklustre career is reinvigorated when he befriends the four fatherless Llewelun Davies bous

**7.30 Christmas University Challenge** 710. Durham University, featuring Tim Willcox and Sir Tim Smit, takes on the London School of Economics which has Martin Lewis and Justin Webb on its

team. Next edition tomorrow 7.30pm 8.00 Gareth Malone's Great Choir Re 1/2. Ten uears on from the first of his TV

attempts to build a choir from scratch, Gareth wants to catch up with members from all of the ensembles he has since helped to create for a huge reunion party. He also hopes to put together a supergroup of the most talented singers in just four weeks. Tonight he finds ex-pupils from the first two choirs he created, and discovers how the ex perience changed their lives.

9.00 A Life on Screen: Stephen Fru A celebration of the urbane and multi-30-year career began at Cambridge and a raft of memorable work

was to follow, including Blackadder and Wilde. He has also presented the Bafta awards and hosts quiz show QI. Among those pouring on the plaudits are Michael Sheen, Hugh Laurie and Alan Davies. 10.00 QI

10.30 Albert Nobbs

Period drama. Dublin in the late 19th centuru: Albert Nobbs is a woman livina as a man who feels trapped by the sub-terfuge. Soon Albert is inspired to make changes to "his" life.

12.15am Race to Super Bowl 50 Week 16 fixtures.

1.05 Top Gear: from A to Z

1/2. Highlights of the motoring magazine

2.05-5.05am Sign Zone 2.05 Harry Hill In Professor

**Branestawm Returns** The absent-minded professor enters an

inventing competition.

3.05 Back in Time for Christmas

4.05 The Naked Choir with Gareth Malone

7.00 Good Morning Britain

8.30 Lorraine Guests, gossip and fashion.

9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal From Barnsley.

10.30 Who's Doing the Dishes? Mark Foster

11.30 Pick Me!

Energetic game show.

12.30pm ITV Lunchtime News Regional News; weather.

12.45 Evan Almighty \*\*\*

Comedy fantasy sequel starring Steve

Carell and Morgan Freeman. God re cruits a politician to build an ark.

2.30-4.30 Midsomer Murders

A killer freed from iail wants his re venge on DS Ben Jones.

4.30pm The Queen \*\*\*\*

Oscar-winning historical drama, starring Helen Mirren as Queen Elizabeth II and Michael Sheen as Prime Minister Tony Blair. Following the death of Princess Diana in 1997, the roual family strugales to acknowledge the nation's unprecedented display of collective grief. As old-fashioned royal protocol begins to crumble the newly elected Labour government seeks a solution to the mounting crisis.

6.30 Regional News Weather

6.45 ITV Evening News Weather 7.00 Emmerdale

Kerry is shocked to discover that Cain has threatened Joanie and takes matters into her own hands. Lisa tries to resolve the crisis in her family. DS Hart detects a few clues concerning

the robbery and closes in on Ross, while Paddy receives a touching gift from Tess - but comes close to being caught out by Rhona

7.30 The Amazing Spider-Man ★★★

Fantasy adventure starring Andrew Garfield and Emma Stone, Peter Parker's parents disappeared when he was young, and he has been raised by his uncle and aunt. But he is socially awkward and bullied at high school When a bite from a genetically modified spider gives Peter extraordinary powers, he is not only

able to assert himself at school, but also resolves that he will use them in the fight against evil.

10.10 ITV News

Weather; Regional Weather.

10.25 American Pie \*\*\*

Comedu starrina Jason Bigas, Chris Klein and Natasha Lyonne. Four teenage boys pledge to lose their virginity before their high-school prom, but their efforts will have hilarious and outrageous consequences

12.05am Jackpot247 Interactive gaming.

3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA

The host takes his confrontational

3.40 Nightscreen Text information

5.05 - 6.00am The Jeremy Kule Show Feuds and furious bust-ups in the studio. Dolittle

Channel4\*\*

6.05am Small Animal Hospital

6.45 Dr Dolittle: Million Dollar Mutts \*\* Comedy starring Kyla Pratt as Maya

8.15 The Big Bang Theory Triple bill. 9.40 The Simpsons Double bill

10.40 Captain Ron \*\* Comedy starring Kurt Russell, Martin

Short and Mary Kay Place

12.40pm New In Town \*

Romantic comedy starring Renée Zellweger and Harry Connick Jr. 2.30 - 4.35 Coraline \*\*\*

Animated fantasy based on Neil Gaiman's book, featuring the voices of Dakota Fanning and Teri Hatcher.

4.35pm Gulliver's Travels ★★★

Fantasy adventure based on Jonathar Swift's classic yarn. Slacker and wannabe travel writer Lemuel Gulliver is shipwrecked and washed up in the land of Lilliput.

6.10 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather 6.30 Holluoaks

Patrick asks for one final favour from Maxine

7.00 Inside Lego at Christmas

A seasonal look behind the scenes at the superbrand. The staff at the Lego factory are gearing up for a hectic time as new lines are created for Christmas. Plus, the construction of

a spectacular Lego train.

8.00 The Supervet at Christmas

5/5 Series 4. Noel Fitzpatrick is busier than ever over the holiday season. Adam, a sleigh-pulling alaskan malamute needs two knee replacement implants, while springer spaniel Harvey is rushed in with a shattered jaw. Noel

is also captivated by a six-week-old miniature dachshund puppy with a deformed foot. 9.00 Eight out of Ten Cats End of

Year Special

There are silly games and surprises ga lore as the guests look back at the funniest stories and biggest personalities of 2015. As even Jimmy Carr is on hosting duty, while Jon Richardson and Sean Lock are the rival team cap-

10.00 The Big Fat Quiz of the Year

Rob Brudon, Sue Perkins, David Mitchell, Claudia Winkleman, Greg Davies and Jo Brand are challenged by Jimmy Carr to show exactly how much notice they've been taking over the last 12 months, and come up with

some pithy quips too. 12.05am Kingdom of Heaven \*\*\*

Historical drama starring Orlando Bloom and Eva Green. Near the turn of the 12th century, a French noble travels to the Holy Land. English, Arabic +sub-

2.30 Peep Show 5/6 Series 7. Mark's detailed plans for Christmas Day are ruined when Jeremy gets overexcited. 2.55 1/6 Series 9. Jeremy and Mark put their differences aside to celebrate with

3.25 2/6. Jeremu has a life-coachina client who could be more than just a source of income.

3.50 Gadget Man Shopping gizmos. 4.15 Benchmark Paddy McGuinness hosts.

5.05 - 6.00am Location, Location, Location

Two couples who want to live by the

#### Channel5\*\*

6 00am Milkshake 9.05 World's Strongest Man

10.05 Football League Tonight 11.35 Ice Road Truckers

12.30pm Carry On Nurse \*\*\*

Comedy starring Kenneth Connor Charles Hawtrey and Hattie Jacques.

2.15 - 4.40 The Dam Busters \*\*\*\* lassic wartime drama starrina Richard Todd and Michael Redgrave

4.40pm What the Dambusters Did

Next What became of the 77 airmen whoreturned home from the raids? John Nicol, an RAF navigator delves into the National Archives to find out.

6.10 Loch Lomond: a Year in the Wild

2/4. Summer arrives at Trossachs National Park, bringing 17 hours of daylight. Young Eurasian beavers are emerging from their lodge for the first time, but can they avoid the attention of the park's otters?

7.00 World's Strongest Man

Reigning champion, and favourite to retain the title, Zydrunas Savickas features here. Aiming to beat the mightu Lithuanian are Britain's Laurence Shahlaei, Iceland's Benedikt Magnusson and the rising Russian

8.00 Help! I'm Snowtrapped

strength athlete Mikhail Shivlyakov.

Seven dramatic stories of people who became trapped in snow. Including footage from the helmet camera of a skier who was buried alive under two metres of snow in Verbien Switzerland

Followed by 5 News Update

Gothic thriller Corrine was disowned when she married her husband but after his premature death, her mothe agrees to take her family in, as long as

the kids are kept locked in the attic.

Oscar-winning biographical drama A single mother working for a law firm takes on a power company that has been dumping toxic waste into a small town

1.15am SuperCasino

Live aamina

3.10 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! 13/13 Series 3. A young family who have been made homeless by their

4.00 Michaela's Wild Challenge

Michaela plaus mother to an elephant 4.25 Divine Designs Churches.

4.45 - 6.00am House Doctor

Transforming a cluttered London flat.

5.10 A lacklustre house in Northants.

5.35 A Victorian house in Norwich.







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Wednesday, December 30th



#### David Attenborough BBC1 9.00pm Unlocking the reef's secrets and takes a trip below the w

to encounter the tiny coral animals that built the reef.

#### Monsters Inc 4.20nm BBC1



BBC1'\*

Sally Nugent, Bill Turnbull

9.00 The Princess and the Frog ★★★
Animated fantasy. In New Orleans, a waitress and a playboy prince try to

break a witch doctor's spell. 10.30 Chicken Run ★★★★

Animated adventure, American rooster Rocky helps a clutch of hens plot a pris-

oner-of-war-style escape

11.50 Bargain Hunt From Alexandra Palace.

12.50pm BBC News /eather; Regional News

1.10 Father Brown

3/10. Series 1. The priest investigates when a man is found hanged.

2.00-3.55 National Treasure: Book of

Action adventure sequel starring Nicolas Cage. Treasure hunter Ben Gates sets out to clear the family name.

3.55pm Room on the Broom

Animated tale based on the children's book by Julia Donaldson. Producers Michael Rose and Martin Pope.

4.20 Monsters, Inc ★★★★

Animated comedy featuring the voices of John Goodman and Billy Crystal. Monsters Sulley and Mike gather the screams of Earth children to provide power for their otherworldly realm However when one little girl accidentallu follows the creatures home, their lives are changed for ever.

5.45 Pointless

Quiz presented by Alexander Arm-

6.30 BBC News Regional News: Weather

7.00 Celebrity Mastermind

6/10. Actor Liam Fox, Paralympian cyclist Jon-Allan Butterworth, comedian Nick Helm and actress Kimberley Nixon

7.30 A Question of Sport

A look back at some of the best moments from Christmas editions of the light-hearted quiz.

8.00 Antiques Roadshov

At Lyme Park in Cheshire, Fiona Bruce and Will Farmer explore the changing taste in toys over the last 100 years Plus a look at a curiosity that cele-brates the work of Dickens. Producers Michele Burgess and Simon Pass.

9.00 Great Barrier Reef with David Attenborough

New series, 1/3 David Attenborough re turns to the underwater paradise he first visited in 1957. With the help of the latest technology on board the re-search ship *Alucia*, he unlocks the reef's secrets and takes a trip below the waves to encounter the tiny coral animals that built the reef. Scientists are now learning that the reef is younger than was once believed, yet David meets people living alongside it who know stories of its origins that have been told for countless genera

10.00 BBC News

Regional News; Weather

Followed by National Lottery Update

10.25 Catherine Tate's Nan 2/2. The freehold's up for sale on Nan's block of flats in London's East End. Nan's not bothered - She's got a trump

card up her sleeve.

10.55 Mrs Brown's Boys Mammy's Christmas Punch. Agnes is intent on a peaceful Christmas at home this year. 11.25 Comic Relief 2015: Thanks a Bil

A look back at this year's fundraise 12.30-6.00gm BBC News

BBC2\*\*

7.20-8.20 Sign Zone 7.20 This Wild Life 9/10. Monkeys invade the safari camp. 7.50 Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip Punting along the River Cherwell.

8.20 Waterloo \*\*\*

Historical epic starring Rod Steiger. Napoleon's exile on Elba doesn't last long. 10.30 The Hairy Bikers' Northern Ex-

Si and Dave find out if they have Viking

11.30 The Great Potteru Throw Down

6/6. The four remaining potters compete in the final.

12.30pm The Two Ronnies

Talking Comedy Some of the comedy duo's finest performances. 1.00 The Bear Family and Me

The bears face danger when the hunt-

ing season begins.

2.00 Coast Nick Crane is on Jersey. 3.00-4.00 Atlantic: the Wildest Ocean

on Earth Extreme heat unleashes deadly hurricanes.

4.00pm Flog It!
A Steiff monkey, a Russian silver goblet

and a biscuit tin come to light in Dulwich south London

.50 Natural World: Attenborough's **Fabulous Froas** Frogs were the first animals David At-

tenborough kept as a boy and he's still passionate about them. Here, he sheds new light on these charismatic and colourful creatures.

5.50 Alice in Wonderland \*\*

Fantasy adventure based on the books by Lewis Carroll. At a garden party to celebrate her engagement, the now teenage Alice spots a white rabbit from her childhood dreams and follows the creature down a hole that leads to a strangelu familiar world.

7.30 Christmas University Challenge 8/10. Two teams of graduates compete on behalf of their former universities in the first semi-final of the academic quiz's festive series. Jeremy Paxman

8.00 Top Gear: from A to Z 9.00 Charlie Brooker's 2015 Wipe

Comedian Doug Stanhope and the ever-insightful Philomena Cunkjoin Charlie as he returns to pick over the bones of 2015's news and cultural events. We've witnessed a Tory majority and the rise of Corbyn-mania, the demise of Cecil the Lion and the end of the Page Three - but there'll be plenty of other enticing items on the agenda tonight, as Charlie and his quests dissect the more bizarre news stories of the last 12 months.

10.00 A Gert Lush Christmas

Comedy drama co-written by and starring Russell Howard. Dan is about to introduce the woman of his dreams to his family, but seeing as they're so quirky, will everything go to plan?

Festive compilation of the show featuring seasonal shenanigans. Dara O Briain hosts, with guests joining regular panelists Andy Parsons and Hugh Dennis 11.30 Backchat End of Year Show

Comedy chat show featuring celebrity guests and sketches, hosted by comedian Jack Whitehall and his father

Michael, a former theatrical agent.

12.15am The Shipping News \*\*\*

Drama starring Kevin Spacey and Julianne Moore. After the sudden death of his wife, unassuming Quoyle moves to his ancestral home in Newfoundland with his daughter and finds a job writing a column for the local paper

2.00-3.55am Sign Zone: Behind the Candelabra \*\*\*

ITV1\*\*

6.00am CITV 7.00 Good Morning Britain

8.30 Lorraine

9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal From Birmingham.

10.30 Judge Rinde

Real-life legal cases

11.30 Who's Doing the Dishes? With Ollie Locke

12.30pm Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory \*\*\*

Fantasy starring Gene Wilder Charlie Bucket lives his dream as he visits the giant factory of sweet tucoon Willy

2.20 ITV News

Regional News; Weather

2.35-4.30 Midsomer Murders DCI John Barnaby hunts a killer who

copies horror film plots

4.30pm Dinosaur Britain

1/2. A time-travelling animation brings to life ancient creatures that roamed our landscapes - but in a contemporary setting. Presented by Ellie Harrison. Part two tomorrow at 2.30pm

5.30 Paul O'Gradu: for the Love of Dogs at Christmas

Mr O spreads canine cheer as he tries to find homes for a young dachshund cross puppy with a bad heart and a chihughug born with kneecaps that are back to front. He meets two enormous akitas that need to go on a diet and a lurcher suffering from a terrible case of manae

6.30 Regional News; Weather. 6.45 ITV Evening News; Weather.

7.00 Emmerdale

Lawrence decides to plan a New Year's party.

7.30 Coronation Street

Kevin catches Tyrone using the garage's pettu cash.

8.00 Big Star's Little Star

Embarrassing moments are guaranteed as celebrities' lives are viewed through the eyes of their offspring. With actress Fiona Carroll and her son Felix. former footballer Robbie Fowler with son Jacob, and former cricketer Michael Vaughan, joined by son Archie 9.00 All New It'll Be Alright on the Night Griff Rhus Jones serves up a seasonal banquet of never-seen-before fluffs and foul-ups. Helen Mirren, Carol Kirkwood, Vernon Kay, Richard E Grant and many others struggle to keep a straight face and maintain some semblance of

shaped.

10.00 ITV News at Ten Weather: Regional Weather

10.15 American Pie 2 ★★★

Comedy sequel starring Jason Biggs The randy students return for anothe summer of sexual misadventures following their first year at college

dignity when everything goes pear-

12.10am Jackpot247

Interactive gaming.

3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA

The host takes his confrontational show Stateside.

3.40 Nightscreen Text information

5.05-6.00am The Jeremy Kyle Show

#### Channel4\*\*:

6.00am Everubodu Loves Rau 6.25 Small Animal Hospital

A collie with eye issues 7.10 The Love Bug \*\*\*

Disney comedy. A struggling racing driver's fortunes take a turn for the better when he encounters VW Herbie

9.15 The Big Bang Theory Double bill. 10.10 The Simpsons Homer opens a salon. 10.40 The Phantom \*\*\*

Action adventure starring Billy Zane. Ace crime fighter Kit Walken known as the Phantom, takes on a gang of pirates. 12.40pm Chalet Girl  $\star\star\star$ 

Romantic comedy. Skateboard champion Kim discovers snowboarding

2.35-4.35 Freaky Friday \*\*\* Remake of the Disney comedy. A bickering mother and daughter swap bodies.

4.35pm Sunshine on Leith \*\*\*\*

Scottish musical with the songs of the Proclaimers. A couple of squaddies return to Edinburgh after a tour of duty in

Afghanistan, poised to marry their sweethearts - at which point family skeletons come tumbling rhythmically out of the closet. 6.20 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather 6.30 Hollyoaks

Alfie sets in motion a plan to uncover

the truth.
7.00 Gogglesprogs

Children share their opinions on the best and worst of 2015's TV from the comfort of their sofas.

8.00 What Britain Bought in 2015

What does our £6 billion-a-week shopping habit say about us as a nation? Maru Portas meets the high street buuers, trend forecasters and retail gurus who attempted to predict our spending habits over the last 12 months. From spiralisers to prosecco. coconut oil to adult colouring books, all our "musthaves" are here - plus a few dubious items too. 9.00 24 Hours in A&E

Ep 11 Series 10. Eighty-four-year-old Paula is referred to St Georges for urgent treatment after a routine blood test detected that she has a danaerously high level of potassium in her blood. Meanwhile, 74-year-old Derek is brought into A&E after suffering a suspected stroke, and fireman Glenn, 31, arrives with a suspected abscess in his 10.00 The Millionaire Party Planner

Liz Taylor organises up to 100 high-end parties every year from her headquarters in Manchesten including the Coronation Street Christmas party and a variety of charity balls that raise hun-dreds of thousands of pounds. The stakes are high and no expense is spared as Liz plans a lavish bar mitz-vah, stages an exclusive 40th birthday party, and pulls out all the stops for the Marina Dalalish charitu ball.

Action thriller Fugitive Dominic Toretto assembles his old team to steal \$100 million from a corrupt businessman so that they can disappear But with FBI agent Luke Hobbs on their trail, their plan gets a lot more complicated. 1.30am Rude Tube

Alex Zane counts down a top 50 of the funniest online videos.

2.25 Friday Night Dinner
7/7. Series 2. Dad's mum - aka Horrible

Grandma -turns up on Christmas Day. 2.55 2/6. Series 3. Dad has been se cretly keeping a dead fox in the freezer until he can get it stuffed.

3.20 3/6. Grandma gets engaged 3.50 Gadget Man
4.15 Benchmark Hosted by Paddy

510-5 55am Deal or No Deal

#### Channel5

9.25 World's Strongest Man 10.25 Carry on Constable \*\*\*

Comedy. Sgt Wilkins becomes exasper ated after four inept policemen join his

Spy spoof starring Kenneth Williams and Barbara Windson Four incompetent British secret agents set out to re-

1.55 - 4.05 Annie Get Your Gun ★★★★

Classic musical western When Buffalo

Bill's Wild West Show rolls into town, Annie Oakley gets the opportunity to impress with her sharp shooting skills.

4.05pm Calamity Jane ★★★★

Musical comedy western. Spirited cowairl Calamitu Jane brings a alamorous singing star to the Deadwood saloon. But her new friend turns into a love

6.10 Loch Lomond: a Year in the Wild

3/4. As autumn arrives, osprey chicks Murrin and Lonaig begin their first miaration to Africa.

7.00 World's Strongest Man

It's anyone's guess who will qualify from this, graughly the most wide-open heat. Britain's Mark Felix from Blackburn is the oldest competitor at 49, and he'll be up against immense Russian Alexander Lysenko, South Africa's Gerhard Van Staden and Poland's Krzystof

7.55 5 NEWS

8.00 Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Wild 4/4 Series 3. The presenter visits

Gaunor Leepen who gave up her old life as a communications manager to train huskies inside the Arctic Circle.

More tomorrow at 8pm. Followed by 5 News Update

Crime thriller based on a novella by

Stephen King, After her car breaks Tess Thorne is subjected to a terrifying

assault. 10.50 Needful Things ★★

Stephen King horror Evil has come to Castle Rock, in the shape of a devilish stranger whose store "Needful Things" promises to fulfill the deepest desires

of the community - at a price. 110am SuperCasino

Live gaming.

3.10 On Benefits: Cashing in for Christmas

People living on state welfare 4.00 Michaela's Wild Challenge

4.25 Divine Designs

4.45-6.00am House Doctor Triple bill of the home makeover show

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## \*Television

Thursday, December 31st



D'Movie

BBC1 9.15pm

As Irish matriarch Mrs Brown endeavours to save Dublin's Moore Street Market from being swallowed up in a corporate property deal, she's also hit with a huge tax bill.



#### BBC1\*\*

Sally Nugent, Charlie Stayt 9.00 Tinkerbell and the Secret of the

Animated fantasy adventure with the

10.05 CBeebies Alice in Wonderland 10.55 The Adventures of Tintin: the Secret of the Unicorn ★★★

Animated action adventure starring Jamie Bell. Tintin is targeted by sinister

12.30pm Bargain Hunt

From Newark.

1.00 BBC News

Weather: Regional News.

1.20 Harry Hill Branestawm Returns

Lady Pagwell leaves a legacy for local

2.20 Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Wallace and Gromit fall victim to villain-

ous penguin Feathers McGraw
2.50-4.15 Up \*\*\*\* Oscar-winning animated adventure. An

elderly widower uses balloons to float his house to South America. 4.15pm Stick Man

Stick Man is caught up in an incredible animated adventure as he struggles to get back to his family tree in time for

4 45 Take That on Tour Life on the road with the band.

5.45 Pointless Quiz show presented by Alexander

Armstrong.

6.30 BBC News

Regional News: Weather

7.00 Celebrity Mastermind
7/10. Lisa Maxwell, Gary Delaney,
Simon Greenhall and Conor McNamara are in the hot seat

7.30 Roald Dahl's Esio Tro

Dramatisation of Roald Dahl's tale in which retired bachelor Mr Hoppu hatches a plan to win the heart of his neighbour Mrs Silver, using differently sized tortoises.

9.00 BBC News Weather

9.15 Mrs Brown's Boys D'Movie ★★★
Comedy spin-off from the popular sit-

com. As Irish matriarch Mrs Brown endeavours to save Dublin's Moore Street Market from being swallowed

up in a corporate property deal, she's

also hit with a huge tax bill.

10.45 The Graham Norton Show

Dropping in to Graham's party are Hunger Games star Jennifer Lawrence, as well as Eddie Redmayne, who talks about playing a transgender pioneer in The Danish Girl, and Mark Wahlberg and Will Ferrell, who discuss working together on Daddy's Home. Years and Years perform

11.30 Bryan Adams Rocks Big Ben

The Canadian rocker blasts out his greatest hits to bring in the new year only pausing to take a break for the chimes of Big Ben and the traditional

fireworks display. Continues at 12.10am.

12.00 New Year's Eve Fireworks

As Big Ben strikes, cameras capture the spectacular pyrotechnical display on London's Thames Embankment.

12.10am Bryan Adams Rocks Big Ben
The festivities continue as the singer plays his first gig of 2016.

12.45 Mrs Brown's Boys
Mammy's Gamble. Buster installs an alarm system in Agnes's house.

1.15 Miranda Hart: Mu What I Call Live

From London's O2 arena.

2.15 Would I Lie to You at Christmas? with Bill Bailey, Ruth Jones, Jo Brand and Kelly Holmes.

2.45 Weather for the Week Ahead

2.50-6.00am BBC News

BBC2\*\*

6.00am Homes under the Ha Auctioned

properties in Kent, Stoke-on-Trent and Dorset.

7.00 Floa It!

anted items are sent to auction 7.45-8.45 Sign Zone 7.45 This wild Life10/10. The tourist season comes to an end. 8.15 Great British Menu Chefs from Northern Ireland pre-

pare desserts.

8.45 Father of the Bride \*\*\*

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Comedy starring Spencer Tracy, Joan
Bennett and Elizabeth Taylor. The calm,
ordered life of Stanley Banks is shattered when his beloved daughter announces her engagement.
10.15 Natural World: A Bear with a

The storu of how a famous bear has Ine story of how a famous bear has ended up with a bounty on her head as the hunting season approaches.

11.15 Custer of the West ★★★
Western starring Robert Shaw and Mary Ure. General George Custer finds

himself caught between warring tribes. 1.30-3.50pm Ice Station Zebra \*\*\*

1.30-3.5upm ice Station Leora \*\*\*
Adventure starring Rock Hudson. A tiny
weather base is plunged into the shadowy world of the Cold War
3.50pm World's Sneaklest Animals
1/3. Ground-breaking science reveals
astonishing visual trickery, from illu-

sionist zebras to vanishing geckos and shape-shifting cuttlefish.

4.50 Christmas Shopping Fever

John Lewis and the Retail Race Cherry Healey goes behind the scenes of the high street giant in the festive period. 5.50 The Odd Life of Timothy Green \*\* Fantasy comedy drama. A childless

couple are aifted with a bou who seem ingly grows out of the earth in their highly grows out of the earth in their back garden. Timothy may not be en-tirely human, but his presence teaches them valuable lessons about life and 7.30 Christmas University Challenge

9/10 Series 5. The second semi-final of the quiz for famous faces who are playing for their alma maters. The final is to ow 8pm

8.00 Gareth Malone's Great Choir Re

unite members of all the choirs he has formed over the past ten years. He tracks down singers from the Military Wives and the workplace choirs he formed in Sing While You Work, before rehearsals begin for a joyful reunion

concert. 9.00 The Sapphires \*\*\*

Comedy drama based on a true story. Australia, 1968: a boozy talent scout persuades a singing group of four Aboriginal girls to hire him as their agent, but their path to stardom isn't guaranteed in an Australia where

racism is rife.

10.40 Live at the Apollo
7/7 Series 11. Nina Conti takes over the

host's mic and introduces seasonal merrumakina from Canada's

alee Davis and home-grown talents Hal Cruttenden and Josh Widdi

combe.

11.10 Jools's Annual Hootenanny
The big shindig kicks off for the 23rd time as Jools Holland introduces another glittering array of musical talent Among the performers are veterans such as Tom Jones, Jeff Beck, Ruby Turner and Pauline Black as well as rel ative newcomers including Jes Glynne, James Bay, Beth Hart and Rhi annon Giddens. The midnight moment is soundtracked by the pipes and drums of the 1st Battalion Scots Guards. 1.10am Best of Glastonbury

A round-up of highlights from this year's festival at Worthy Farm in Somerset.

3.10-5.10am Sign Zone
3.10 The Snow Chick
Following the first months in the life of

an emperor penguin,
4.10 Back In Time for Christmas

2/2. The Robshaws

move on to the 1970s

#### ITV1°×°.

6.00am CITV 7.00 Good Morning Britain

8 30 Lorraine

9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal

10.30 Judge Rinder

Cases in a studio court

11.30 Who's Doing the Dishes?

Former X Factor finalists Chloe-Jas mine and Stevi Ritchie play host

12.30pm ITV Lunchtime News Regional News; Weather

12.40 DragonHeart \*\*\*

Fantasu adventure. A knight and a dragon join forces to confront an evil turant.

2.30 Dinosaur Britain

2/2. Exploring how dinosaurs hunted what they ate and how they died.

3.30-4.30 The Chase

Tense quiz show.

4.30pm Downton Abbey - the Finale New Year's Eve 1925: romance is in the

air at Downton but, for some, the year's end will prove bittersweet. 6.30 Regional News Weather

6.45 ITV Evening News weather.

7.00 Emmerdale

Andu is forced to make a confession to Robert.

8.00 Coronation Street

Fiz and Tyrone receive the news theu've been waiting for.

8.30 Panda Babies

The cuteness quotient looks set to be off the scale as vet Steve Leonard travels to China, where he gains access to three remarkable panda reserves. Captive panda breeding programmes are notoriously unsuccessful, but he is privileged to witness the special moment when a cub is horn.

9.35 Birds of a Feather

Series 2. Sharon and Tracey discover Dorien has been keeping a secret for more than 50 years.

10.05 Piers Morgan's Life Stories

Cilla Black. A frank interview with the popular singer and entertainer who died in August 2015.

11.05 The Nation's Favourite Bond

In this countdown of viewers' bestloved themes from the 007 films, the writers of some of the most memorably dramatic tunes in movie history reveal how they were created. Continues after

11.55 ITV News

Weather; New Year Bongs.

12.10am The Nation's Favourite Bond Song Conclusion of the countdown 12.40 Goldfinger \*\*\*\* James Bond investigates ruthless crim-

inal Auric Goldfinger: a man with a desire to become the most powerful person on Earth. Sean Connery, Honor Blackman and Gert Fröbe star

2.30 Nightscreen Text information.

5.05 - 6.00am The Jeremu Kule Show

#### Channel4\*\*

5.55am Small Animal Hospital A sick cat.

6.40 Explorers \*\*\*

Sci-fi adventure starring Ethan Hawke. A trio of kids unwittingly build a craft that can pass through solid matter

8.40 The Big Bang Theory Double bill. 9.35 The Simpsons Triple bill.
11.05 Imagine That ★★

Comedy fantasy starring Eddie Murphu. A stockbroker discovers that imaginary friends can be surprisingly useful.

1.10-3.20pm Rocketeer ★★★★

Fantasy adventure starring Bill Campbell. A young pilot discovers a rocketpowered backpack and becomes a

superhero.

3.20pm Honey, I Shrunk the Kids \*\*\* Disney comedy fantasy starring Rick Moranis. Professor Wayne Szalinski's obsession with developing a lect his wife and two children and attracts ridicule from his suburban neighbours. But then a freak accident

triggers the inventor's device and re-duces his children, and those of his neighbour to microscopic size. 5.20 Channel 4 News Sport: Weather 5.35 Hollyoaks

Can Kim stop Lindsey from striking

again?
6.35 Celebrity Couples Come Dine

with Me

Jaymi Hensley from boy band Union J and his partner Olly Marmon host an all-singing, all-dancing Christmas soirée, TV presenter Gail Porter and boyfriend Craig Stewart go back to their roots with a traditional Scottish shindig, and ex-EastEnders actor Ricky Groves and his partner Kay Russell plump for a proper cockney knees-up.
But when it comes to the scores, who will have impressed the others enough to take the charity prize?

7.30 TFI New Year's Eve

Host Chris Evans and the team prepare rouse chils evals and the team prepare to ring in the new year with the usual raucous mix of celebrity interviews, music and zany features. Among the auests joining in the fun are actor Will Poulter, singers Sia, Olly Murs and Izzy Bizu, the Vaccines and the resurgent New Order. 9.00 Alan Carr's New Year Specstacular

The host has once again been given licence to run riot around Channel 4's HQ during his annual extravaganza of unpredictable activities, party games, oddball sketches and musical perform ances. The guests joining in the ribald fun include David Guetta, Danny Dyer, Mel B, Greg Davies, Verne Troyer and Katherine Ryan.

11.10 Eight out of Ten Cats End of

There are silly games and surprises ga-lore as the guests look back at the fun-niest stories and biggest personalities of 2015. As ever Jimmy Carr is on host-ing duty, while Jon Richardson and Sean Lock are the rival team captains. 12.10am The Big Fat Quiz of the Year Rob Brudon, Sue Perkins, David Mitchell. Claudia Winkleman. Grea

1/6 Series 2. The turbulent lovers want to welcome their new arrival with a party - and get all the introductions over in one hit.

2.35 2/6. Can Rob find an outlet for his

frustration? Sharon contends with the dreaded "mombies".

3.05 3/6. In an attempt to spice up their love life, Sharon and Rob go on a romantic break to Paris.

3.35 Gadget Man Richard Ayoade visits a hi-tech home

with Claudia Winkleman.

4.00 Location, Location, Location
Kirstie and Phil help find "forever"

4 50 - 5 40am Deal or No Deal

#### Channel5\*\*.

6.00am Milkshake!

9.00 World's Strongest Man

9.50 Carry On Teacher \*\*\* Comedu starring Ted

Ray and Kenneth Connor The pupils of Maudlin Street School tru to prevent their headmaster from leaving

11.30-1.50pm Sinatra 100; an All-Star Grammu

Concert Stars celebrate the centenary of the crooner's hirth

1.50nm One Chance \*\*\*

Comedy based on a true story, starring James Corden. Bullied and humiliated, Paul Potts has found solace in his love for singing. It's this which ultimately leads to a life- changing appearance

3.55 The Wizard of Oz \*\*\*\*

Classic musical fantasy starring Judy Garland, Ray Bolger, Bert Lahr and Jack Haley. When a huge tornado hits, Dorothy is whisked off into a strange world where she must escape the clutches of the Wicked Witch of the

6.00 Loch Lomond: a Year in the Wild

4/4. Winter comes in mild and wet, so the red deer stags have time to fatten up after the autumn rut.

Followed by 5 News Update

6.55 World's Strongest Man

The holder of the Britain's Strongest Man title, Eddie Hall, has broken the deadlift record this year but he faces stiff competition in the fifth heat

from Americans Mike Burke and Mike Caruso, young Slovenian Matjaz Belsak, Grzegorz Szymanski of Poland and Norway's Ole Martin Hansen.

7.55 5 News

8.00 Ben Fogle: New Live in the Wild

2/4 Series 1. In Alaska, the adventurer samples the rugged existence of a couple who live half the year in a

Mongolian-style yurt. Followed by 5 News Update

9.00 Britain's Best Loved Double Acts The results of a public vote reveal the nation's most dazzlina duos, from

Morecambe and Wise to Ant and Dec This countdown first gired in

2014, reveals our favourite pairings across the spheres of comedu

music animation drama and sport 11.55 Most Shocking

Christmas TV Moments A cringe-fest of outrageous moments from the past 50

1.55am SuperCasino Live gaming

3.10 Loch Lomond: a Year In the Wild 4/4. Winter arrives

4.00 Michaela's Wild Challenge

A search for the world's rarest mammal. 4.25 Divine Designs

Examining works of Hindu and Jain art. 4.50-6.00am House Doctor

Including a basement flat in north London.

5.10 A 200-year-old cottage

5.35 From Knutsford, Cheshire.

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## \*Television

Friday, January 1st



Catch Me If You Can

BBC2 10.20pm

Based on the true story of conman Frank Abagnale Jn Shattered by the news that his parents are divorcing, 16-year-old Frank runs away to New York. For six years he lives a life of fraud, always staying one step ahead of tenacious FBI agent Carl Hanrattu

Monster Vs Aliens



## BBC1\*

With Charlie Staut

Animated comedu adventure with the voices of Reese Witherspoon and Seth Rogen.

10.25 Monsters vs Aliens ★★★

Animated sci-fi comedy. 11.55 Top of the Pops New Year

With KDA featuring Tinie Tempah and Katu B. the Vaccines and Sigala.

12.55pm The Archbishop of Canterburu's New Year Message

The Most Rev Justin Welbu delivers his annual address.

1.00 BBC News

Weather: Regional News.

1.15 The Sound of Music Classic family musical

with Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer.

4.05 - 4.30 Shaun the Sheep: The Farmer's Llamas

Shaun is delighted when llamas arrive on the farm

4.30pm Wreck-It: Ralph \*\*\*

Animated adventure. The villain of a 19805 arcade game sets off on a quest through other games to prove there's more to him than just being a bad guy.

6.05 BBC News

Regional News; Weather

6.30 EastEnders

Mick and Linda prepare for their wed ding. Dean reappears seeking revenge

7.00 Billionaire Boy

David Walliams's tale of Len Spud and his son Joe, who become billionaires thanks to toilet roll. But Joe is lonely and transfers from his private school in the hope of finding friends.

8.00 EastEnders

Dean continues his revenge plot against the Carters

8.30 Dickensian

5/20. To what lengths will Compeyson not go to get Miss Havisham to notice

9.00 Sherlock

The Abominable Bride. In a special episode that takes Holmes and Watson back to the 1890s, the ghost of a woman who took her life is, seemingly, prowling the streets with an unslakeable thirst for revenge. The duo must use all their quile to combat

this enemu from "beyond the grave" 10.30 Mrs Brown's Bous

Mammu's Widow's Memories, In the second festive episode, a handsome stranger has eues for Agnes.

11.10 BBC News

Regional News: Weather.

Followed by National Lottery Update

11.35 Adele at the BBC

Adele showcases sonas from her new album, 25

12.50am Weather for the Week Ahead 12.55-6.00am BBC News

BBC2\*

6.35am Sinbad: Legend of the Seven

Animated action adventure, with the voice of Brad Pitt.

750 Natural World: Honey Badgers -Masters of Mayhem Exploring the reputation of the animal.

8.50 Viva Las Vegas \*\*\*

Romantic musical starring Elvis Presley and Ann-Mararet.

10.15 Darcey's Ballet Heroes Focusing on male ballet stars. shown Christmas Day 8.50pm

11.15 New Year's Day Concert Live from Vienna

Mariss Jansons conducts the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra for this popula event comprising waltzes and polkas. 12.45pm Little Women

Period drama adapted from the classic novel, starring Winona Ryder

2.40-4.50 The Eagle Has Landed Second World War adventure starring

Michael Caine 4.50pm Gorilla Family and Me

2/2. Gordon Buchanan is reunited with a family of Grauer's gorillas, Earth's

5.50 The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message

The Most Rev Justin Welby delivers his New Year address, reflecting on some of 2015's major events.

Comedy drama. On a visit to the United States from the eastern European state of Krakozhia, Viktor Navorski finds him self with no legal status when his country falls to a military coup. Without a less Navorski is confined to JFK airport, much to the irritation of US customs of ficial Frank Dixon who is determined to be rid of the unwanted visiton.

8.00 Christmas University Challenge

10/10. It's the grand final of this seasonal competition for alumni from some of the UK's top universities - but which one will emerge as this year's champions? Jeremy Paxman asks the questions. 8.30 The Manu Faces of Ronnie Corbett

Like many of his generation, Ronnie Cor bett had a strong career on stage, but he was already 36 when his first big TV break arrived in the shape of the groundbreaking Frost Report, His role in The Two Ronnies has earned him a chapter in the book of all-time comedy greats, but this documentary also reveals some lessernown details of Ronnie's life, such as his days as a devout teenage organist.

9.30 The One Ronnie

To mark his 80th birthday in 2010, Ronnie Corbett was joined by some of the biggest names in British comedu, including Harry Enfield, Catherine Tate, Jon Culshaw and Rob Brydon, for a special show.

10.20 Catch Me If You Can \*\*\*

Comedy drama, based on the true story of conman Frank Abagnale Jn Shat tered by the news that his parents are divorcing, 16-year-old Frank runs away to New York. For six years he lives a life of fraud, always staying one step ahead

of tenacious FBI agent Carl Hanratty. 12.30am Shadow of a Doubt \*\*\*\*

Classic Hitchcock thriller starring Joseph Cotten and Teresa Wright. When Uncle Charlie arrives in the small Californian town of Santa Rosa, he is welcomed with open arms by his fam ily. However his admiring niece soon begins to harbour doubts

about her favourite uncle 2.15 Top Gear: from A to Z

5.15am Sign Zone

3.15 Hugh's War on Waste

## ITV1'\*

6.00am CITV 9.25 Dlcklnson's Real Deal

In Lincolnshire 10.30 Judge RInder Real-life

leaal disputes 11.30 Who's Doing the Dishes? Vicki Michelle

12.25pm Celebrity Squares Guests include Sarah Millican, Duncan

Bannatyne and Tess Daly. 110 ITV News Weathe 1.25-3.35 Dr No

The first James Bond movie, starring Sean Conneru. Bond is sent to Jamaica to investigate the musterious killing of a fellow agent.

3.35pm Midsomer Murders

The Sicillan Defence. Harriet Farmer was left for dead on the night she tried to elope. A year later she comes out of a coma. Soon afterwards members of a chess club meet grisly ends

5.35 Wild River with Ray Mears

The adventurer explores the River Wye, setting out from its source towards the Severn Estuary

6.40 ITV Evening News Weather 7.00 Emmerdale

After visiting Charity in prison, Debbie declares her intention to leave the villaae.

7.30 Coronation Street

Carla issues an anxious Johnny with an ultimatum. More at 8.30pm.

8.00 Gino's Italian Escape: Islands in the Sun

6/6. Eastern Sicily: an Explosive Finale Gino D'Acampo concludes his odyssey around his home country's island in a place where food is all-important. In Taormina, he learns howto make the sweet treat cannoli, before heading to the craters of the imposing

Mount Etna. Finally, he makes a pilgrimage to Savoca, which doubled for Corleone in the Godfather films.

8.30 Coronation Street

Michelle and Nick continue to fret over Carla, who is embroiled in something with Robert that she may live to regret.

9.00 The Big Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale

Stephen Mulhern hosts as stars of the shows are tested on 2015's biggest events and funniest moments in both the dales and on the cobbles. Which set of soap stars will scrub up best?

10.00 ITV News Weathe

10.15 The Jonathan Ross Show

11/11 The host welcomes his celebritu quests for a fun Christmas edition of the show

11.20 American Pie: the Wedding

Comedu. After pursuing each other through two movies. Jim and Michelle finally decide to tie the knot.

1.00am Jackpot247 Interactive gaming.

3.00 Murden She Wrote

First part of the pilot episode starring Angela Lansbury

## Channel4\*

5.40am Mysterious Island ★★★

Fantasy adventure based on the novel by Jules Verne, starring Michael Craig. 7.30 The Big Bang Theory Double bill. 8.20 Planet 51 \*\*\*

Animated fantasy. An astronaut is stranded on an alien planet

10.10 The Simpsons Double bill 11.15 Inspector Gadget \*

Comedy action adventure based on the cartoons, starring Matthew Broder-

12.55 - 3.35pm LIVE Racing

Starts from Cheltenham are at 1.20. 1.55, 2.30 and 3.05, and from Musselburgh at 1.35 and 2.10. Presented by

3.35pm The Golden Compass \*\*\* Fantasy adventure based on the first in Philip Pullman's His Dark Materials trilogy of novels. In a parallel universe where souls take animal form, orphan girl Lyra has been brought up among the scholars of Jordan College, Oxford. It is there she overhears her uncle, Lord Asriel, talk of a microscopic particle that can pass between different worlds.

6.00 Tangled \*\*\*\* Animated fairy-tale adventure featuring the voices Mandu Moore and Zacharu Levi. The long-haired Rapunzel has spent her life incarcerated in a tower so when she falls in love with

5.50 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather

a bandit, she must venture into the outside world for the first time.

8.00 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast

New series. 1/6 Series 3. Jamie Oliver and Jimmu Dohertu prepare dishes for the weekend from their café on Southend Pier The pair are joined but actor Orlando Bloom, who shows off his sword skills as he rustles up a Moroccan tagine. Plus there's Asian seafood parcels, goat meat and a great British Danger that can be trusted.

9.00 A Good Day to Die Hard \*\*

Action thriller starring Bruce Willis. Tough cop John McClane travels to Moscow to help his estranged son, who assassination plot. But when

McClane senior arrives he discovers that junior is in much deeper than he imagined.

11.00 Rude Tube: Welcome to 2016

Alex Zane marks the end of 2015 with a compilation including 50 of the funniest clips from the show's last series, and another 50 new videos featuring the web's latest comedy stars.

1.10am Damien - Omen II ★★★

Horror sequel starring William Holden and Lee Grant. In the second film in the trilogu. Damien is now a spoilt and obnoxious teenager but his aunt believes there is something even more sinister in his personality.

3.00 Friday Night Dinne

4/6 Series 3. Mum and Dad's anniversary looks set to be ruined. 3.25 You Deserve This House

A woman who runs a swimming club for uounasters with disabilities.

4.20 Location, Location, Location Two couples who returned to the UK after going travelling. 5.15 Hugh's Three Good Things: Best

Bites A recipe for baked potato with curried mush-

5.20 - 6.10am Deal or No Deal

## Channel5\*

6.00am Milkshake

9.35 Thomas & Friends - Sodor's Legen of the Lost Treasure: the Movie \*\*\* Animated adventure featuring Eddie

Redmaune 10.50 Carru On Cabbu \*\*\*

Comedy starring Sidney James, Hattie

Jacques, Kenneth Connor and Charles Hawtrey. 12.35pm Bigfoot and the Hendersons

★★ Comedy starring John Lithgow and

Melinda Dillon. 2.45 - 4.30 Dracula: Dead and Loving It

\* Comedy horror starring Leslie Nielsen.

Peter MacNicol and Steven Weber 4.30pm Greystoke: the Legend of

Tarzan, Lord of the Apes ★★★ Adventure. When Lord Clayton and his

pregnant young wife are shipwrecked off the coast of Africa in 1886, a legend is born. Their son, John.

is reared in the jungle by apes and becomes master of all he surveys. That is until the day a hunting party strays into his territory, bringing with it the violence of civilisation.

7.00 World's Strongest Man Final The action in Malaysia should be as

intense as the temperatures, as the ten to have battled through the heats compete over six events and two days for the coveted title, won last uear for the fourth time bu Lithuania's Zudrunas Savickas.

755 5 News

8.00 Morecambe and Wise's Greatest TV Moments

A chance to relive some of the most memorable sketches and routines from the well-loved duo, whose annual specials were a staple on the Christmas TV menu for manu uears.

Shown Christmas Eve 10pm Followed by 5 News Update

9.00 An Audience with Ken Dodd The much-loved Liverpudlian looks back on his career in this programme recorded in 1994. The quick-fire comedian, known for his marathon performances lasting up to five hours, recalls learning his trade during summer seasons in Blackpool and working on the same bill as Morecambe and Wise. Among the star-studded audience are James Fox. Mollu Sugden, Samantha Fox, Paul Daniels.

Warren Mitchell and Frank Carson. 10.55 Greatest Stand Up Comedians

Counting down SO of the funniest people to have toured the stand-up circuit, among them Joan Rivers,

Tommy Cooper and Robin Williams. 1.55am SuperCasino

Live gaming.

nd: a Year In the Wild 3.10 Loch Lon 2/4. Summer brings 17 hours of daylight to Trossachs National Park.

4.00 3/4. Autumn arrives

4.45-6.00am House Doctor Triple bill of the show presented by Californian estate agent Ann Maurice.

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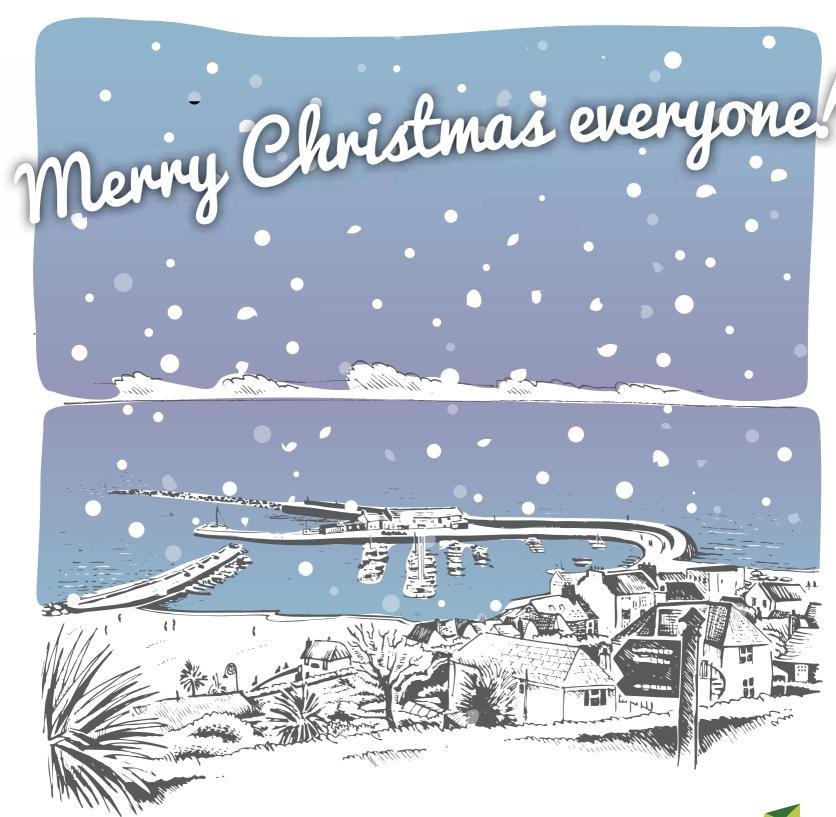
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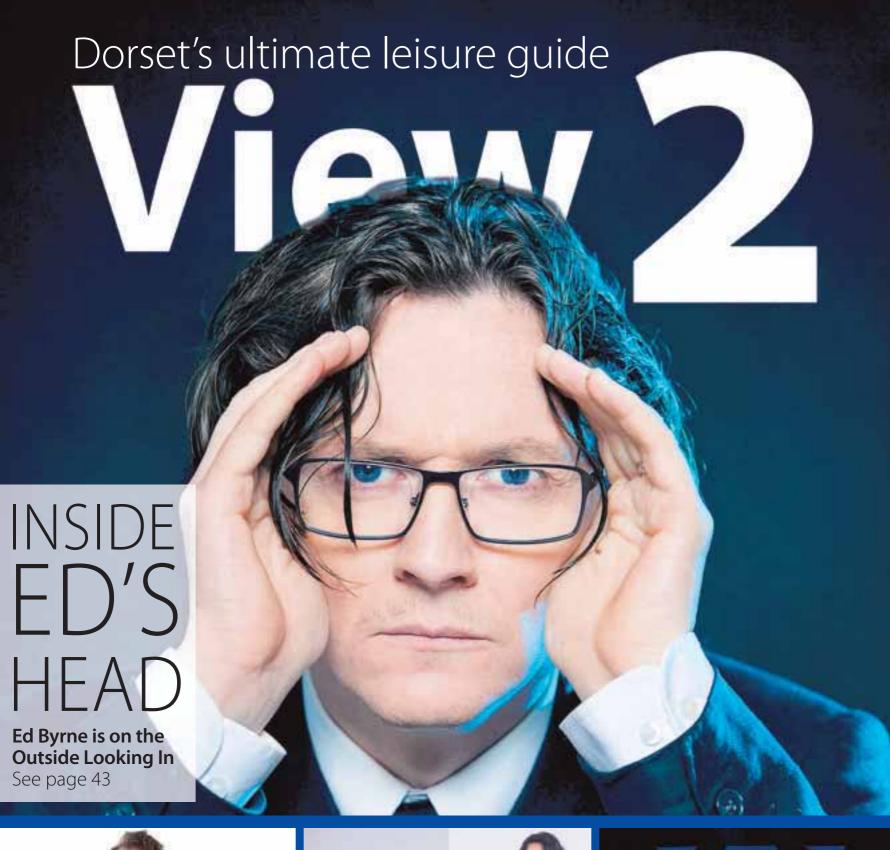




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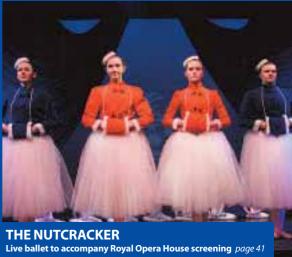
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## Your guide to local live music

## upcoming gigs

Wednesday 16 Dec Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS **Holly at Christmas** 

**Thursday 17 Dec** 

Electric Palace, BRIDPORT **Terry Hall DJ Set** 

Saturday 19 Dec Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS

Kimber's Men 7.30pm. £14.50/£12.50 Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

The Cadence 9.30pm Nag's Head, LYME REGIS

Delta Tango 7 9pm Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER

**Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar** 

Pilot Boat Inn, LYME REGIS Two Fat Santas -**Jack Daniels and** Saucy Jack 9pm

Sunday 20 Dec

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT **Howling Duo** 4-6pm

**Thursday 24 Dec** 

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT Vinyl Monkeys 9.30pm Nag's Head, LYME REGIS **Christmas Jumper Party with Bug Tree** 

Swamp 4-7pm Nag's Head, LYME REGIS Tom Toomey 9pm

Sunday 27 Dec Nag's Head, LYME REGIS The Deep Band 9pm

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT **Grouvecat** 4-6pm

**Thursday 31 Dec** Crown Inn, BRIDPORT DJ Wilf 9.30pm

The Spice Centre, DORCHESTER Bernardo - Around

the World in 80 Chords 8pm onwards

The Clockhouse (held in the village hall), **John De Barra** 

music 9.30pm

Saturday 2 Jan Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**K2** 9.30pm

Sunday 3 Jan Crown Inn. BRIDPORT Jamming at the Crown 4-7pm

Wednesday 6 Jan Nag's Head, LYME REGIS Jim Almand 9.30pm

Saturday 9 Jan Nag's Head, LYME REGIS Real Deal 9pm

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT Livewired 9.30pm

## **FESTIVE FUN WITH HOLLY AT CHRISTMAS**

BUDDY HOLLY AND THE CRICKETERS once again herald in the Yuletide festivities with Holly at Christmas, the show that is now as traditional as mulled wine and

across the globe from Cardiff to California, Barking to Bangkok and Swindon to Sweden and is guaranteed to have everyone singing along to the music and dancing in the aisles.

It stars some of the finest actor-musicians in the UK whose combined West End credits include Buddy, Lennon, Forbidden Planet and Jailhouse Rock and was endorsed as Britain's most popular Buddy Holly act when the boys guested on BBC One's Saturday night live programme, "The One and Only", hosted by Gra-

Towards the end of November, the clocks go back in more ways than one - and Buddy Holly and the Cricketers once again herald in the Yuletide festivities with Holly at Christmas, the show that is now as traditional as mulled wine and mince pies!



Holly At Christmas rarely pauses for breath and is, quite simply, the most compelling concert of its kind. The hits just keep on coming - That'll Be The Day, Peggy Sue, Heartbeat, It Doesn't Matter Anymore, Raining In My Heart, Oh Boy! – and much, much more.

Whatever the season, whatever the excuse to party, make your Heartbeat a little faster with the show that believe it's not Buddy!'

Holly At Christmas comes to the Marine Theatre TONIGHT (Wednesday, December 16th). Tickets are £14.50, or £12.50 (concessions). Tickets are available from the box office on 01297 442138 or online from the website at www.marinetheatre.com



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## Forest Forge present Arts Centre to show festive favourite **Hansel and Gretel**

A TREAT for the children at Christmas as Forest Forge (in association with Bumblefly) bring an enchanting new take on the family favourite, Hansel and Gretel, to Dorchester Arts Centre

Lost in the deep dark forest, the children come across many well known fairytale figures who try

to help, or hinder them, as they draw ever closer to a strange house that looks good enough to Throughout this adventure, audiences are encouraged to ioin in with the show; providing sound effects and practical help Hansel and Gretel and their many friends make their through the chanted forest. Expect vibrant traditional storytelling packed with laughs and songs for the whole family to

Forest Forge Theatre perform Hansel and Gretel at Dorchester Arts Centre on Friday, December 18th at 7pm (doors and refreshments 6.30pm). Tickets are £10, £8 or £30 (family ticket - max 2 adults), available online at www.dorchesterarts.org.uk or by calling 01305 266926.







## Farnham Maltings present a live performance of

## It's A Wonderful Life

FOLLOWING the success of Miracle on 34th Street, Farnham Maltings is bringing the struggles and joys of 1940s small town America to the villages and

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long winter nights.

Farnham Maltings bring It's A Wonderful Life to the Marine Theatre on Tuesday, December 29th at 7.30pm. Limited tickets are available for £11, concessions £9 and family £36 (2adults + 2 concs, or 1 adult 3 concs). Visit www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138



ing the festive favourite Planes, Trains and Automobiles this Thursday, December 17th.

Take a moment out of your busy Christmas schedule to sit back and hours. To make it even more enjoyable there will be free mulled wine for all visitors!

Steve Martin and John Candy star in this cult Christmas film. An advertising executive flying home for Thanksgiving finds himself seated beside a boisterous curtain ring salesman. When their

storm, the salesman's advice propels them into one disaster after another.

Tickets are £6 and £5, available from www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.



## **Special live performance to** accompany Nutcracker screening

THE Weymouth School of Ballet will be performing next Wednesday, December 16th at Cineworld, Weymouth prior to the live cinema broadcast of 'The Nutcracker' from the Royal Opera House at 7.15pm.

The Nutcracker is always one of the most popular live cinema broadcasts and Cineworld are making the evening extra special for customers by having the dancers perform in the auditorium prior to the

Later on the same night, Cineworld would like to invite customers who are coming to the midnight showing of 'Star Wars - The Force Awakens' to add to the atmosphere by dressing up as their favourite Star Wars characters. Cineworld would ask customers who plan to dress up to just be mindful of others comfort and enjoyment and not to bring any

'light up' toys or props into the auditorium that may distract from others viewing pleasure of the film.

There will also be a 'Star Wars Fun Quiz' for customers to take part in.





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The seventh instalment of the iconic Star Wars franchise arrives on the big screen, from a galaxy far, far away.

## **STAR WARS: EPISODE VII** - THE FORCE AWAKENS 15

STAR WARS: Episode VII - The Force Awakens is a continuation of the saga created by George Lucas and set thirty years after Star Wars: Episode VI - Return of the Jedi.

Familiar faces return, and new legends are

The first in the series under the Disney banner, J.J. Abrams directs his first Star Wars

Stars Daisy Ridley, John Boyega, Mark Hammill, Carrie Fisher and Harrison Ford.

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Star Wars: Episode VII

- The Force Awakens 2D 12A

Fri & Sat: 9.45, 13.00, 16.30,

Sun-Wed: 9.45, 13.00, 16.30,

Thu: 9.45, 13.00, 16.30

Star Wars: Episode VII

Fri: 13.45, 17.00, 20.30

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Snoopy and Charlie Brown:

The Peanuts Movie <sup>U</sup> Sat-Thu: 10.20, 12.40, 15.00

The Good Dinosaur 2D PG Fri, Mon, Wed, Thu: 10.00, 11.00,

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## ReView **QUARTET**

Concerts in the West, December 3-5th 2015 **Concert Review by Anthony Pither** Covering concerts at Exeter, Bridport, *Ilminster and Lyme Regis* 

THIS WAS the final series of classical concerts of 2015, given by the period instrument group, the Consone Ouartet, Although only founded at the Royal College of Music, London three years ago, the Quartet members play with the suave confidence that belies their relatively brief existence.

The Lithuanian-Polish leader, Agata Darashkaite, moved to England at 14 years to study at the Yehudi Menuhin School, while second violinist, Magdalena Loth-Hill, was educated at Chetham's School of Music and violist, Louise Tatlow, was at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama before graduating from the Royal College of Music (RCM). Cellist George Ross came to the RCM after being a student at the Purcell School. Each member of the Consone Quartet has gained considerable experience as a solo performer.

Their programme included music by the 16-year-old Schubert, A rather serious Overture in C minor and a collection of German Dances, essentially entertainment music, were brought off with aplomb, Agata's tone was always positive and her melodies shone, while one was well aware of George's rich bass line.

Haydn's first minor-key quartet of importance, Op 20 No 5, and Mozart's final chamber music creation, the String Quartet in F major K590, are both intricately written works. In each, we were witnessing the art of counterpoint, used to heighten the expression of often simple ideas. Performance requires an innate sense of communication between players and this was always very apparent. Each player aspired to a particular tone emanating from the use of gut strings. There was a consistently strong sense of expression.

This great string quartet brought Concerts in the West's considerable musical contribution to the region in 2015 to an uplifting conclusion. Once again, audiences appreciated the playing of some of the very best young string players in the intimacy of the recital room.

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## THE CONSONE View 2 Diary Dates

LYME REGIS: For the fifth year, The Courtyard Gallery hosts a Vintage Pop Up Shop throughout the holiday season where you can pick up sourced, repaired and up-cycled vintage items, perfect for Secret Santas or Christmas treats, Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10am-4.pm. Free admission. Visit www.townmillartsguild.com for more details LYME REGIS: The annual Christmas Art Fair show cases the latest works by members of Town Mill Arts, offering for sale at affordable prices paintings, drawings, prints, pottery, textiles, jewellery and books, Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. www.townmillartsquild.com

### **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16TH**

DORCHESTER: Film: 'Home Alone 2 - Lost in New York' showing at the Evergreens Cinema, at Age UK. Lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing for just £1.50. Ice creams will also be served. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 269444.

### **THURSDAY DECEMBER 17TH**

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport U3A Singers festive carols to add Christmas cheer to shoppers in the town at 11am. They will be raising their voices in Bucky Doo Square but should the weather be wet, then they will be singing in the entrance to the Electric Palace.

### **SUNDAY DECEMBER 19TH**

**CHARMOUTH:** Craft Fair at the Community Hall, 9am-3pm. The craft fair is for crafters of bespoke gifts and accessories, all of the craft sellers are

### **MONDAY DECEMBER 21**st

Снагмоитн: Charmouth and Bridport Pop 'n' Rock Choir Christmas concert in St Andrews Church. Tickets £6 available from Fortnam Smith and Banwell in Charmouth or on 01297 561625

### **SATURDAY JANUARY 2ND**

**BRIDPORT**: Bridport Ceilidhs' first dance of 2016 with "Abacus", a young band out of Exeter Uni's folk dance circuit, teamed with experienced caller Richad Mason who specialises in writing and calling some intriguing dances. At Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street, Bridport DT6 3NW. Bring and Share finger food supper, with some soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine and make a party of it! Doors open 7.15 for 7.30-11pm dance. Tickets on the door at £9.00, cheaper to buy in advance for £8 from "The Music Shop". South Street, "The Lime Tree" Deli, West Street, or book with Monty or Mecki on 01308 423 442, email monty3dayslate@yahoo.co.uk. For more details visit www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com

### **SUNDAY JANUARY 3RD**

BRIDPORT: International folk music and dance session at 12.30 - 2.30pm in The Ropemakers, West Street, Bridport DT6 3QP, featuring music from the Balkans, Greece and France. Regular sessions are held on the first Sunday of the month. Entry is free. All players are welcome (some sheet music can be distributed in advance if wished); dancers of any ability are invited, with walks-through for newcomers commencing at midday. The pub is open 12 - 3pm and serves excellent home cooked lunches. Call Mecki on 01308 423 442 or email mecki1@yahoo.co.uk

## **MONDAY JANUARY 4TH**

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport Folk Dance Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at

guest and club callers, recorded music and occasional live bands. No partner or previous experience required. Membership available at £2 per year, giving entry at £2.50. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442. Also on subsequent Mondays: 11th, 18th and 25th.

TUESDAY JANUARY 5TH
LYME REgis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting
2–4pm at Woodmead Halls. Dorset artist Stephen Foster demonstrates his approach to a seascape in oil over acrylic, with use of a palette knife. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further

### **THURSDAY JANUARY 7TH**

**DORCHESTER:** The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will meet at 2 for 2.30pm in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, Dorchester DT1 2RZ when there will be a talk on Farm and Agriculture Advancement at Sydling St Nicholas. The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship was set up over 30 years ago for retired employees of the Health Service and their partners living in Dorset and meet on the first Thursday of every month except August and December. In addition to the monthly meetings, we have coach outings, a theatre trip and Christmas lunch. New members welcome. Contact 01305 261676 or 785546 for further information.

### **FRIDAY JANUARY 8TH**

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Compe tition: Street Photography. Followed by Penny Piddock with her presentation on Creative light. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

## **MONDAY JANUARY 11TH**

DORCHESTER: Cruse Bereavement Care Dorset -Support Group meeting. At the United Church, 2-4pm. Have a chat over a cup of tea or coffee. For more details call 07767 305696 Burton Bradstock: Biodanza at Othona. Express,

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## **TUESDAY JANUARY 19TH**

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2-4pm at Woodmead Halls. Celia Olsson from Devon will show us how to achieve texture in watercolour and mixed media. All are welcome. Nonmembers admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for more details

### **FRIDAY JANUARY 22ND** LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club.

Jonathan Walker, Archive pictures of war photography from the Crimea to latest conflicts. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

### **MONDAY JANUARY 25TH Виктон Bradstock**: Biodanza at Othona. Express,

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## The Melody Makers

On the Outside Looking In

Ed Byrne returns to the Electric Palace

THE MELODY MAKERS, an innovative festive alternative to the traditional pantomime is coming to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis, and Bridport Arts Centre over the Christmas period.

Bridport-born, Children's theatre specialist Tessa Bide is bringing her new show to the Marine Theatre and Bridport Arts Centre this New Year. Tessa's previous shows, *The Tap Dancing Mermaid* and *Arnold's Big Adventure*, have enjoyed sold-out performances in Bridport.

Ít's a magical, musical extravaganza set to

charm the stockings off everyone in the family, The story is told using puppetry, with beautiful hand crafted puppets made by Sarah Dicks puppetry assistant on The Lion King, and live music and acting from performers Tessa Bide, Matt Huxley, Jean Bono and Megan Brooks. The story features a girl called Pip who hates Christmas, her only saving grace is her best friend, Rupert – a tiny robin who visits her every morning for the month of December. One morning, the Christmas music disappears and Pip must go on a

quest to find out why the music has stopped!

The Melody Makers comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis from Monday, December 21st until Thursday, December 24th nightly at 6pm. Tickets are £9, and concessions £7. A family ticket (2 adults and 2 concs, or 1 adult and 3 concs) £28. Tickets are available from www.marinetheatre.com or by calling 01297 442138.

The show then comes to Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, January 2nd at 7pm. Tickets are £8 adults, £6 children, and £25 family, available from www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.



## Puppetry fun at the Lyric Theatre with The Matthew Robins Show

FRESH from London's Suspense Festival of Puppetry and the Science Museum, Bridport audiences are in for a treat this Christmas with the acclaimed Matthew Robins bringing his incredible artistry to the town with performances for both adults and children, including a unique chance to work with the artist to create exquisite shadow puppets.

Performing live – with puppets and music - The Matthew Robins Show is a collection of songs, short stories, shadow-puppets, home-made animations, made-up games, choose-your-own-adventures, and competitive audience puppet-making. He tells visual stories about animals, monsters, insects, love, the ocean and death, and there will be some festive stories too!

It's a bit like a one-man variety show but with a band as well! Come and hear about Flyboy (he's half-boy / half-fly) and his friend Mothboy, Evaporina (she can't sit too close to the radiator), the sad story of the Wicker Cat, Walter Knitty (he's made of wool), and many others, including some new songs written especially for this show.

In the last few years they group have performed at the

Barbican, the National Theatre, Tate Modern and Tate Britain, the Howard Assembly Room for Opera North, the De La Warr Pavilion, in a horsebox in Sherwood Forest, for Horse+Bamboo, and most recently at the Suspense Puppetry Festival.

Matthew has made shows for the National Theatre, the Barbican and the Unicorn Theatre (Something Very Far Away), and an installation of his work is on permanent display at the Science Museum in London.

Suitable for adults and older children (8+, brave younger children are also welcome with their families). For a taster please visit his website: www.sadlucy.com

The Matthew Robins Show comes to the Lyric Theatre, Bridport on Friday, December 18th at 8pm, and on Saturday, December 19th at 4pm and 8pm. Tickets are £10 (advance) or £12 (on the door) for adults, and £6 for children, available from Bridport Arts Centre 01308 424204.

Matthew will be running a workshop on Saturday, December 19th, 12-2pm, £12 adults / £10 children. Please book your place with The Lyric: 01308 423951 / admin @ the-lyric.com - limited places are available and it's suitable for ages 8+. Come and find out how to make your own shadow-puppets.



## Singing the songs of the sea

ACCLAIMED as the finest purveyors of sea songs and sea shanties in the world, The Kimber's Men are stars of Channel 4's Sunday Brunch, and they will be singing up a storm on The Marine Theatre Stage on Saturday, December 19th.

Nothing beats the resonance of hearing a hearty group of male singers of this quality live. The group now comprise Joe Stead (Ship's Doctor), John Bromley (Ship's Cook), Neil Kimber (Bosun), Gareth Scott (Powder Monkey) and Michael Beeke (Stowaway). Michael plays the Northumbrian Pipes and has added a completely new dimension to the sound since joining the band three years ago.

Comedy, unusual for shanty singers, make up a

good part of the show. So be prepared to laugh.

In John Bromley Kimber's Men boast the finest bass singer on the British folk scene today. Indeed it is likely you will get a rendition of 'Old Man River' at some point during the concert. The founder member, Joe Stead who is almost a legend in his own right actually met and sang with Paul Robeson and was

a friend of Pete Seeger the legendary American singer who died recently. Pete wrote such classics as 'Where have all the flowers gone' and 'If had a hammer'. Joe has performed twice in concert in America with Pete, both in New York and for the Delaware River Valley Project in New Jersey when Neil Kimber accompanied him.

Kimber's Men play on Saturday, December 19th, 7.30pm at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis.

Tickets are £14.50, or concessions£12.50, a TheatreFriends discount is available, and LYT members can come for £1! / All Ages/ Running time: 90 minutes plus interval.

To book tickets, contact TIC on 01297 442138 or visit the website at www.marinetheatre.com



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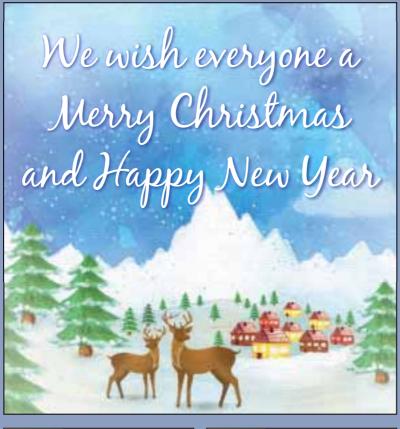
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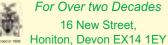


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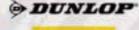
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## Lyme pay the fee - University spot on

## Charmouth county cup hopes over - Netherbury denied win by 11th hour whistle

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LYME Regis hopes of clinching backto-back promotions received what appears to be a fatal body blow as they

were on the wrong end of four penalty decisions a Duckes Meadow. The team can have no complaints about the three awarded against them, but referee Adam Dobbin failed to award what appeared to be a stonewall one in the their favour

when Dec Ellis was brought down in the Uni area in the 73rd minute. But Lyme can only have themselves to blame having dominated for large periods and creating plenty of chances against the league leaders who turned up for the game with no

footballs, substitutes, linesman or flag! With caretaker manager Rob Thom changing to a 4-4-2 formation The Seasiders' strike pairing of Joe Bond and Steve Batey both went close with left volleys that both just cleared the bar in the first five minutes.

They went even closer in the 11th minute when full-back Mark Batey's looping header from a Mark Bailey corner was hooked off the line.

Steve Batey side-footed wide soon after before the Students took the lead against the run of play with a breakaway goal from striker Tom Church in the 14th minute.

Then a long ball over the top forced Dom Rowe into scything down Church who stepped up and made no mistake from the first of the afternoon's spot kicks.

They went close to adding a third on the half hour with a one-on-one chance but Lyme keeper Chris Higgs stood up well and the chance was

Ellis and Sam Pollard-Jones both went close for the Seasiders before the latter was forced off through in-

Lyme, with midfielder Robbie Fellingham in imperious form against his former team, pulled one back when Bailey's free-kick deflected into the net off the defensive wall.

But they were hit again by the pace of the hosts frontline and Higgs' foul in the area was once again punished from the penalty spot as Church completed his hat-trick to make it 3-1.

Bond missed a golden chance to reduce the arrears in the 50th minute when he volleyed wildly over the bar when unmarked 10 yards out.

But Ellis did better a minute later when he pounced on a short back pass, rounded the keeper, and rolled the ball home.

Seconds later Bond was desperately unlikely not to equalise when he bun dled the ball against the foot of the

Then came the penalty that wasn't awarded when Ellis was felled and it



keeper Chris Higgs was sent off

became clear it wasn't to be Lyme's

They pushed more players forward in search of an equaliser and were caught on the break, but Higgs once again shepherded away the danger. Ellis had a late curling effort that just

drifted past the far post. There was yet more penalty kick drama when Higgs was dismissed for a last man foul Mark Batey donned the gloves and made a fine save at full stretch low down to his left.

Seasiders; C.Higgs, M.Batey, D.Rowe, W.Blackmore, S.Pollard-Jones (L.Clifton 37), R.Fellingham, M.Bailey, D.Ellis, J.Bond, S.Batey. Unused subs; M.Laing, F.Thomson.

### RESULTS - December 12th DORSET MINOR CUP QF CORFE CASTLE RES 2 CHARMOUTH 1

CHARMOUTH hopes of becoming the first Perry Street League side to lift the Dorset Minor Cup since Halstock back in 1988 ended with defeat at Dorset League Division Five outfit Corfe Castle Reserves.

A howling wind made conditions difficult for both sides and the first half ended goal less.

The hosts, boosted by the elements, took the lead on the hour mark.

But Charmouth responded well and Ryan Bearpark's cross from the left was converted by Bill Ward who moved into double figures for the season in the process.

The winner arrived in the 78th minute when a Robins' defender was penalised for a tackle from behind in the area and the resulting penalty clinched the result.

Charmouth almost snatched a late leveller when a corner was met by Alistair Harvey whose fine volley was kicked off the line.

And hands were in heads again soon after when the resulting corner was also desperately hooked off the line with the home keeper beaten.

### PERRY STREET LEAGUE PRFMIFR

CREWKERNE TOWN 1 NETHERBURY 1 THE game at Henhayes on Saturday produced an entertaining game for the neutral and one that ended in controversy.

Crewkerne Town, now under newly appointed manager-chairman Lee Gillman, turned the formbook upside down in the first half and dominated proceedings.

The Ambers never got out of second gear and the hosts wasted two good one-on-one chances early on, missed a free header from a corner and keeper Rob Harte was called upon to

make a fine save.
They deservedly went ahead in the 35th minute, when Josh James dwelt on the ball on halfway line and was robbed of possession, Crewkerne broke away and Kieron Adams calmly

After some heated words at halftime, the Ambers came out and dominated the opening 30 minutes of the second half.

The secured an early equaliser when Jon-Paul Avery beat two men before cracking in a shot which hit the crossbar and the rebound fell to Alex Goodrick, who controlled and finished to equalise after 52 minutes.

Half time substitute Tyman James had an impressive 45 minutes on the right flank and played in a string of excellent crosses that the Ambers attackers just failed to meet.

Netherbury were pressing hard for a winner and could have had a penalty when a shot was blocked through a combination of hands and body, but referee John Thorne waved away their

The last quarter of an hour minutes were end to end, with Hart making another good one-on-one save and Crewkerne missing a chance from



The game ended controversially when in injury time, referee Thorne blew his whistle for full time just as Ryan Gall was striking a ball past the home keeper.

Despite the Ambers protests Thorne was unmoved and booked two players for their protests.

Netherbury Manager Andy Loudon said: "We were terrible in the first half and all credit to Crewkerne for their ef-

"Thankfully the second half was much better and I thought we looked more likely to win it, but all-in-all a draw was probably a fair result". London picked out James as his star man.

### **DIVISION ONE**

BEAMINSTER RES 1 ILMINSTER COLTS 0
A FIRST clean sheet of the season helped Beaminster Reserves to complete a league double over Ilminster Town Colts at the Memorial Ground

A Dean Highett header from a corner in the first-half proved to be the winner in a tight encounter.

Rainbows' manager Ian Butcher picked out Dominic McAlister as his

### PYMORE 1 UPLYME 1

THE going was heavy at St Mary's as both teams struggled to create any free-flowing football.

Liam Proctor gave the hosts the lead in the first half when he turned well and fired past Swallows' keeper Joe

Cleere did well just before half time with a fine save and Pymore had to be content with a slender lead despite being well on top.

An enforced change at half time brought Wes Holmes in for injured Rich Robinson and Uplyme changed from 4-4-2 to 4-5-1.

With the Pymore midfield now subdued, Uplyme came into the game and they equalised on the hour. Pymore 'keeper Charlie Youngs mis-kicked a clearance straight to James Beddows who tapped into the empty net for the equaliser.

But Youngs atoned for his error with a fine late save to deny Harry Robson.

Pymore manager Stuart Hedditch said: "It was definitely two points dropped for us, although it was a huge improvement from our woeful game in the Dorset cup last week. My man of the match was Dean Obstancias but everyone deserves a mention. Uplyme spokesman Jon Matthews

said: "After our first half performance we can't feel too aggrieved with the point, but really we know we could of taken all three.

## WAYTOWN HOUNDS 3 THORNCOMBE 2

WAYTOWN got off to a great start when central midfielder Steve Masters hit a 25-yard screamer that went in off the underside of the bar.

But Thorncombe took advantage of mishaps by the Hounds defence to put themselves ahead with goals from Karl Smith and Ashley Allen. Joe Carter hit the bar with a looping

effort and Simon Smyth missed a good chance to level the score before half time, but the Thorns' narrow lead remained intact.

The Hounds were far more comfortable in the second half, Carter picked out Smyth and his cross-cum-shot went in to make it 2-2.

The Hounds had several chances to go ahead before Steve Batterick got the winner when his corner kick curled in at the far post.

Masters was picked as man of the match, after another courageous display in the engine room.

### **DIVISION ONE**

THE game of the day in Division One saw a first half goal from Scott Jennings goal clinch Misterton all three points form the visit of promotion rivals Drimpton.

The hosts should have had more in the opening 45 but were indebted to a superb second half save from keeper Dave Turner as the Greens put the pressure. However, they held and even squan-

dered a golden chance for a second when Harvey Saunders missed the target with the goal gaping. Missy assistant manager Paul Mc

Cormack picked out debutant Ashley Francis as MoM at right back.

OTHER SCORES; Beaminster Reserves 1 (D.Highett) Ilminster Town Colts 0, Hawkchurch Utd 6 (G Herrod 2) J.Short, D.Richards, J.Harris), T.Chubb) Combe A 2 (R.Webb, C.Roberto), Py more 1 (L.Proctor) Uplyme 1 (J.Bed-Waytown Hounds dows), Thorncombe 2 (K.Smith, A.Allen).

◆ EQUALISER: James Beddows'

goal earned Uplyme a point at

Winsham Utd Res 2 (S.Partridge, B.Smith) Farway Utd 5 (F.Sousa 3,

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21: Gavin Herrod (Hawkchurch Utd).

18: Jimmy Rees (South Petherton Re-

**DIVISION THREE** 

Top Scorers (10 or more)

20: Scott Jennings (Misterton).

Petherton, Andy Whitefield (Barring-15: Dan Collins (Perry Street), Josh

14: George Hayward (Dowlish & Dony-

att). Adam Payne (Dowlish & Donyatt). 13: Dan Pyett (Beaminster Reserves). 12: Dan Baggs (Beaminster), Terry Far-rell (Drimpton), Charlie Gay (West &

Middle Chinnock), Dan Rendell (Char-11: Kev Cavanagh (Chard Rangers),

Josh Chadwick Perry Street, Kris Hastings (Shepton Beauchamp), Simon Lock (Shepton Beauchamp Reserves), Danny Rudge (Merriott Rovers). 10: Jody Bovey (South Petherton Re-

serves), Tim John (South Petherton Reserves) Ben Pitman (Shepton Beauchamp), Dan Kadir (South Petherton Reserves), Ben Smith (Winsham Utd Reserves), Bill Ward Char-

### PERRY STREET LEAGUE TOMMY TABBERER CUP R1

Chard Utd Reserves 1 Chard Rangers 0 Merriott Dynamos 3 Kingsbury Episcopi 1

### BILL BAIL FY CUP R1

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Winsham Utd Reserves 2 Farway Utd 5 DIVISION THREE

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FIXTURES - December 19th **DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE** (2.15pm ko) D2: Lyme Regis v Hemyock D7: Colyton Reserves v Lyme Regis Reserves

### PERRY STREET LEAGUE (all 2pm ko) JACK VENN CUP R1

Chard Rangers v Chard Utd Reserves Combe St Nicholas B v Merriott Rovers Thorncombe Reserves v Merriott Dynamos

## JOHN FOWLER CUP

Round One Halstock v Uplyme Reserves

Dowlish & Donyatt v Perry Street Reserves Drimpton Reserves v Netherbury Reserves Ilminster Town A v Charmouth

Barrington v Beaminster Combe Reserves v West & Middle Chinnock Crewkerne Town v Lyme Bantams Netherbury v Shepton Beauchamp Perry Street v Chard Utd South Petherton v Winsham Utd

### DIVISION ONE

Beaminster Reas v Waytown Hounds Hawkchurch Utd v Misterton Pymore v Ilminster Town Colts Uplyme v Drimpton

## **DIVISION TWO**

Kingsbury Episcopi v Farway Utd Reserves Shepton Beau Res v South Petherton Res

## DIVISION THREE

Crewkerne Rangers Res v Farway Utd Res Fivehead v Chard Rangers Reserves

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It's in the Middle
Nags Head A . . .
Noth'n But Treble
Odds or Us . . . .
Young Darters . . .

Respect-de-Bull Dat Team . . . . . Anchor Vale View

Royal Hawks Time Bombs

Division Three Anchor Five Mis Fits . . . . Flashes Fives

Tiger Bees . . . . The Surgeons . Midnight Runne No Direction . . The Royal Nuts

Division Four 

Whamo
Sorted Odds
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Dodgers
Odds & Sods
Mozzies Heroes
Ace of Clubs

Ladies Division One

Next Door

Wrong Bed Good Mates

Tiger Stripes . . . Charlie's Angels Anchors Aweigh

**Bridport Darts** 

## Squash

## Just what the

Bridport 3rd 14 West Hants 4th 7
BRIDPORT 3rds ex-

tended their lead at the summit of Dorset Squash League Division Five with this well worked victory over a useful looking West Hants 4ths; they are now 30 points clear and favourites for promotion at the end of the season writes Roger Lewis. At one for Bridport was

local physician Riaz Dharamshi who again was dishing out the medidisplay against his young opponent Steven Morgan. Everything that Morgan

tried was cut out by a sound demonstration of varying shots from Dharasmshi which included straight drives, tight boasts, drop shots from all corners of the court, all followed up with sound and simple squash play.

These tactics kept Morgan from playing ĥis natenabling ural game Dharamshi maintain his unbeaten run with a 9-1, 9-5, 9-2 victory. Tom Munro at two for

was up against a very experienced opponent John Catlin who has been on the squash scene for a long period, and he had Munro looking at retrieving shots from all angles of the court with the consequence that his returns were not tight and crisp. This allowed Catlin to

play out his game plan to record an easy 9-7, 9-3, 9-4 victory.

Paul Cross had his winning run halted by another experienced player in Cross' play right from the start and by stemming and cutting out his hard hitting shots with the chopped drop shot coupled with the acute boast, gave him the advantage.

As well as Cross tried. he found it difficult to read Wright's tactical play and he had to be content stopped by the play of a really good player as he went down 6-9, 6-9, 9-2,

Nathan Neale who is improving in every game for the team, was involved in a really good match against Phil Tomlinson.

Both players went into the match with a plan to dominate the court centre and this led to some long rallies up and down the walls, and the retrieving abilities by both players was impressive.

It was finally all down to fitness and at the end it was Neale who went through to win an absorbing match 9-2, 9-2, 7-9, 9-

Dave Stewart at five for Bridport had a walkover as West Hants could not field a player.

## **Bridport Rugby Club**

## Just what the doctor ordered Bridgert 3rd 14 Defence the key as Blues bounce back

**Bridport 44 Puddletown 13** 

BRIDPORT needed to put last week's painful loss to Dorchester 2nds behind them, and they did so against a spirited Puddletown side, emerging worthy victors 44 points to 13.

It was a victory based on a much more solid defence, at one stage resisting four consecutive penalties close to their own line and conceding only one try all afternoon. Typifying the defensive effort was a last ditch tap tackle from Bret Chant to foil a

Bridport were first on the scoreboard with fly-half Will Everitt catching the blindside defence napping to coast in for a try, to which he was unable to add the conversion as gusty conditions once again made life difficult for the kickers.

Puddletown responded with a penalty kick from the boot of Tom . Yeatman as Bridport were guilty of holding on at the breakdown.

Great running from winger Murray Rawstorne set up Dave Cutting to score Bridport's next, again the kick went wide.

But again Bridport were guilty of conceding a penalty in kickable range to keep Puddletown in the hunt at 10-6.

Everitt added three points for a penalty at the other end and the visitors missed an opportunity to do

It was now that Bridport really turned it on, the forwards marching Puddletown backwards, forcing a penalty and from the lineout driving them back some more, James Tuck touching down for the try. The kick went wide but the lead was now 18-

With confidence high, the Blues played more expansively with some excellent handling from both forwards and backs. Another good offload from Rawstorne launched Al McNab over the try line to end the half at 23-6.

The quality of play was not quite as high in the second half, but Bridport's forwards remained dominant and pressure at a five metre scrum forced Puddletown to concede a penalty try which was converted.

Liam Poole, on for an injured Dave Cutting, added another try from short range. The conversion made it 37-6.

To their credit Puddletown didn't give up and when the hosts lost a player for a yellow card they came back with a converted try

Bridport were to have the last word though, as Al McNab took a great line to score under the posts, the conversion was added to complete a convincing victory.

Lytchett U13 5 Bridport 17 A SOLID performance from Bridport earned an enjoyable away victory.

A wobbly start with a knock-on was soon turned around with a powerful set-piece that was to be the back bone of the game.

The scrum dominated and won many against the head and set up several platforms to attack from. This was also emulated in the line-out with match-of the-match Joel Pittard winner 90 percent of the opposition

Heading in at half time two tries up

both scored by Finlay Shoemark, the Blues were still struggling to win the break down with Lytchett keener and more eager.

The second half again started with forwards dominating and with powerful runs from flanker Lewis Ali and No8 Charlie Taylor the victory could have been sealed.

Yet the hosts defended well and prevented several attempts five metres from their own line.

The third try came once again from Shoemark who then added to his score with a conversion.

With the game won Lytchett Minister did come back with a score in the

Sherborne 12s 30 Bridport U12s 15 YEOVIL, without an U12 team, played hosts to Bridport and Sherborne.

In the first half, playing downhill, Bridport were slow to the ball, slow to drive over, and within ten minutes were three tries down.

A further try by Sherborne was replied with a superb solo drive and try by Jack Handford, but trailing 4-1 at half-time, and with Sherborne now downhill, most spectators were expecting a drubbing. Not so.

Bridport raised their game and, with George Found driving uphill like a man possessed, quick ruck ball fed to the backs and James Clatworthy and Toby Gale both went over to make the score 4-3.

But two breakaway tries gave Sherborne a 6-3 victory.

However, despite fielding a depleted team, Bridport could leave the pitch with their heads held high. Caleb Coulter and Man of the Match George Found set themselves a high standard for the rest of the season.

Yeovil & Sherborne U10 v Bridport BRIDPORT Under 10s played away at Yeovil in this three cornered contest.

Although they were not guite at their best over four games, they put in a very solid performance, drawing twice against Yeovil, once against Sherborne and losing only in the last game against the latter.

In the first game against Yeovil the score was two tries apiece, Mally Titcombe-James with the first from a penalty, and Charlie Brake showing good awareness to claim the second.

In the second, against what is a very strong Sherborne side, they did very well to restrict the opposition to three tries, scoring three of their own through Barney Johnson, Charles Edwards and Dom Burdett. The score was the same in the third

game against Yeovil, Johnson, very difficult to stop from short range, with two tries and Edwards with an-In the final game against Sherborne

the Blues went down four tries to one, as they ran out of puff with Johnson again the scorer.

Charles Edwards was Player of the

Very much on the positive side with this team is their growing awareness of the strengths and weaknesses of the opposition and their ability to respond intelligently.

If they can maintain their defensive structure they are proving to be a difficult side to beat.

## D3 - Nine players x1 D4 - A.Page (Wicket TN) S.James (both Anchor Aces) both x1, LD2 -T.Wayland (Wrong Bed)

(Hands of Time) x7, D2 -S.Crabb (Les Miserables)

## South West Dorset Schools Cross country Championships

## Colfox take team plaudits but individuals shine

THE Sir John Colfox Academy once again demonstrated their teamwork in this year's South West Dorset Schools Cross Country Championships by winning five of the six titles, but there were individual successes for other local schools showing the depth in talent across the region. The championship league is run over

three races at different schools concluding at Bridport last week. Fin Cauldwell of The Sir John Colfox

was sensational, winning all three races and taking the individual title, although he had great support from his team members as they swept the board in the Year 7 Boys category.

Having won the team title in the first two races, incredibly they finished in the first four places in the final race with Tom Kilcoyne finishing runner-up in the individual title and Mannie Wellman and Jake Childs tying for third

Overall team result: 1st Colfox; 2nd St Osmund's; 3rd Dorchester Middle

St Osmund's Dorchester won the Year 7 Girls title with Emily Pitman the individual champion.

Beaminster School's Olivia Still was second with May Cornwell, the most consistent Sir John Colfox runner tak-

Beaminster were second overall and Budmouth College third with Colfox who finished sixth after the first race improving to take fourth spot.

Colfox Junior Girls are a strong team and not unexpectedly, like last year, went through the league series undefeated, which was demonstrated by Olivia Willmore (2nd) and Dulcie Gatehouse (3rd) in the individual However, it was Maddy Johnson of

Thomas Hardye School Dorchester who showed her prowess by retaining her title she won last year.

Colfox B showed the school's strength in depth by finishing second overall with Woodroffe School, Lyme Regis taking third.

Whilst Colfox won all three races and had six runners in the top ten in the final Junior Boys race, it was Ryan Purse from Budmouth who took the individual title ahead of Colfox duo Manny Cox (2nd) and Nat Wormleighton who wfinished third.

Woodroffe were runners-up in the team awards with Colfox B third.

The Colfox Inter Boys have the strongest squad they have ever had, and the depth of talent is quite incredible. After reaching the Southern England final they were always expected to do well in the area league, and they did not disappoint going through undefeated.

The final race saw an incredible sprint finish between Tom Crabtree and Dan Elliott with the former just holding on to win it at the end.

However it was Woodroffe's Oliver Caute who took the individual title ahead of Crabtree and Elliott, helping his school to second overall behind Colfox A with Colfox B in third.

Probably the real surprise was the Colfox Inter Girls who also went through all three races undefeated, although Somer Horsfield made it a



Woodroffe double in the Inter group by taking the individual title, with Olivia Symes finishing second overall and Sydney March third.

Overall team result: 1st Colfox; 2nd Beaminster; 3rd Woodroffe

like to thank the Colfox Trust for allowing them to race and train on their land, and to AP Chant for sponsoring the Area Cross Country League.

## **Lyme Darts**

Table	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	6	12
Nags Z		12
Nags Head A		11
Janners		10
Rock Point		8
Four Play		7
Cobb Arms		6
Hunters Lodge		6
Talbot Arms	9	5
Royal Standard		5
Four's Company		3
Half an Octopus		1
180s leaders: R.Cr		&
A.Reid (both 2).		

## Cribbage

Bridport	Pld	Pts	BL
Durbeyfield	.11	89	17
Crown Inn B	.10	81	19
Anchor Inn	.11	80	11
Hope & Anchor.	.10	78	18
Oddfellows	.10	77	14
Crown Inn A	9	76	14
George WBay	.10	74	19
Ilchester Arms	.10	71	12
Quarterdeck A .	.11	64	14

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## Ladies help in County win

MARGARET Clapp, Pat Cornick, Francis Hewett & Pamela Daters were on fine form for the county as Dorset won on all six rinks against OXFORD in the National Knockout competition for the Atherley Trophy, and will now play old rivals Devon in the next round.

Meanwhile, Joan Higman, Penny Pither, Anne Parkins& Janet Tattershall picked up two points for the Ladies B team in the county league with a 28-11 win over MOONFLEET

Tony Bartlett, Roy Gill & Mike Fletcher also picked up two points in the Over 60s league against the DORSET RESORT CLUB winning 15-9.

Bridport's Mixed Friendly's side had a good win when they played host to SHERBORNE. Sylvia and Mike Fletcher, Nova Varney & Mel Hargett took top rink award, shooting into a 23-0 lead before finally winning 29-9. Robin Pither, Gerry

Moss, Julie Bright & Margaret Fifield came from 7-9 down to win 26-21, whilst Pam Gray, Peter Varney, Pat & Roger Cowmeadow were trailing 3-9, before coming out on top 20-16.

The Fletchers, Hargett and Peter Sandall squeezed home 21-20 against Gillingham, with Lyn Sandall, David Jenkins, Fifield & David Avlott also having success18-15.

## **Lyme Golf**

## Webb spins way to top

AFTER some recent good performances Phil Webb climbed to the top, winning Division One of the December medal by four shots with a nett 68 ahead of Neal Cullen and Roger Turner nett 72 and 73 respectively.

John Hodgetts won Division Two in emphatic style with the best score of the day and by a big margin, carding a nett 67, with Les Bounds, 75, 2nd and 3rd, Tom Barclay, 76

The weather-affected seniors' stableford saw a close competition in Division One between Julian Cox and club captain John Coley, who both scored 36 points with Julian winning on countback, and a steady 35 points put Brian Clark in

Division Two belonged to Keith Chapell whose grafted 34 points was well ahead of Bob Shepherd (25) and Phil Banner (24) in 2nd and 3rd.

The Ladies' Greensomes

allow Rosemary Dare & Felicity Horton to score an impressive 36 points to come first, beating Rosie Jackman & Emma Davies who came 2nd on countback from Corinne Jones & Mary Minter both scoring 33 points.

## A view on the Bees - Bridport FC

## **Confident Bees do the double over Terras**

**Bridport Reserves 2 Wymouth Reserves 0** 

Dorset Premier League Cup

WEYMOUTH Reserves manager Bradley Asagba was hoping his side could exact revenge over Bridport Reserves after being beaten in the league recently after which he praised Shaun Annett's side for their organ-

However it wasn't to be as Bridport Reserves produced an even better performance to dump the Terras out of the Dorset Premier League Cup at St Mary's

Veteran assistant manager Simon Gale scored for the third game running, showing that even if he has lost some of his speed, he hasn't lost that goals coring knack for which he was reknowned by putting the Bees ahead early in the second half before new signing Kriss Radivosja scored within seven minutes of making his debut as a substitute.

The whole team from replacement keeper Jamie Fry throughout the team played well, with Annetts waxing lyrical particularly about his back four.

'It was an outstanding performance by everybody.

"I have been critical in the past about conceding sloppy goals, but I put our result down to the back four who are playing as well as I've seen them in the last three years. They're playing like a unit and providing a sound foundation for the rest of the team.

"Our two wide lads Robin Jones and Tom Blair were destroying their full backs and creating lots of chances, and if it wasn't for their keeper who was absolutely outstanding and made probably half a dozen really good saves, it could easily have been a lot

In fact the keeper, Adam Tong, sustained a cut nose from a boot as he made one of the saves, but despite all Bridport's possession, the sides went in goalless at halftime.

"We just lacked that bit of quality in the final ball at times," said Annetts.

With the breeze behind them after the break Bridport continued to attack and were rewarded on 55



minutes when Gale fired in a shot from a loose ball which Tong blocked but could not hold, and the predatory Gale moved in quickly to fire home the re-

Having taken the lead, Bridport seemed to sit back, a bad characteristic of theirs, and this allowed Weymouth to get back in the game, and for the next 15 minutes it was the Terras who dominated although Fry did not have a purposeful shot to save.

With Tristan Gale and Radivojsa replacing Tom Baker and Gale who had run themselves to a standstill, Bridport found second gear again.

A short corner routine was played into the box, the 17-year-old Radivosja, who signed from Dorchester U18s earlier in the week, was able to turn and fire home from six yards.

Another teenager Sol Davies, a product of Bridport Youth, came on for the final minutes.

Annetts concluded: "We thoroughly deserved to win, and could, and should, have scored more. We now need to turn these good cup performances into league points."

## **West Dorset Hawks Hockey**

WITH STUART BROOM

## One-sided result doesn't tell the whole story!

### Bridgwater C 7 West Dorset A 1

DUE to a combination of injuries, Christmas shopping and other player unavailability, West Dorset A made their longest trip of the season to Bridgwater C with only eight players at the weekend.

With team manager Mike Harvey forced to play in goal due to the lack of players, this Davis league South East League Two fixture was clearly going to be a case of damage limitation against a team who were able to field a squad of thirteen.

AFTER two weeks when racing had to be cancelled due

to gale force winds, Sunday's conditions were in direct

contrast, force 1 to 2 and slight sea state and unseason-

Fourteen dinghies took part and all but two com-

pleted both races, which were races Five and Six of the

Race officer Colin Walters had to restart race Five due

Jeff Vander Brourght in his K1 worked his way up through the fleet to win, closely followed by Jerry Rook

and Chet Gillespie, then Hugh Duncan and Hilton Davis

Lyme Regis Sailing Club

ably warm air temperatures.

to failure of the timing clock.

. Winter series.

From the start, Bridgwater forced the pace but it still took until the 7th minute before they took the lead following a short corner. For the next 10 minutes the visitors were constantly stretched at the back and struggled to cope defensively, conceding a further

To their credit, in Alamo like conditions, West Dorset heads did not drop and from the 20 minute mark onwards they adapted to the difficulty of the situation, keeping possession and defending better, whilst Mulberry Threlfall-Eyres caused the home defence a few problems.

Tasked with playing as a lone striker for the visitors, he provided a great outlet from defence and took the attack to the opposition, often taking on 2-3 defenders

West Dorset even managed to pull a goal back when Threlfall-Eyres slotted home at the second attempt after good link up play with Alex Drew.

The hosts only managed one more goal before halftime, again from a short corner to make the score 5-1

at the interval. Despite the scoreline, the visitors were fairly upbeat at half-time having played well for the latter part of

Naturally the hosts continued to force the play at the start of the second half but the defensive line up of Matt Caton, Ollie Gargrave, Henry Middleton and Harvey in goal defended resolutely, continually frustrating their opponents.

It was testament to this dogged defending that Bridgwater could only score two more goals in the whole of the second half, with Rich Wilson, Kystian Dubass and Drew in midfield providing great cover for the defenders, and Threlfall-Eyres a very handy outlet in attack.

Skipper Middleton said: "Unfortunately we could only field eight players but every one of them can be very proud of the effort they put in today.

'We gave a good account of ourselves in the second half and battled really well, even managing to have controlled spells of possession and create a few attacks of our own."

### Youth member Fraser Earle launches his Contender for the first time

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**◆ AND ALL WHO** 

**SAIL IN HER:** 

## Youth member Max Helston sailed his Laser Radial admirably to gain 5th place, beating Dan Alsop into 6th.

Vander Borght at the double

But in race Six, with the wind settling to a steady force 2, Dave Stubbs was a close contender as Vander Brourght held first place again.

First time on the water was Fraser Earle in his new Contender, a single hander where the helm also tra-

He did well to finish both races as he familiarised himself with a challenging dinghy.

RACE Five; 1st Jeff Vander Borght (K1), 2nd Jerry Rook (Albacore), 3rd Hugh Duncan (K1).

RACE Six; 1st Jeff Vander Borght, 2nd Dave Stubbs (RS 400), 3rd Hugh Duncan (K1).

## Hawks take closer order West Dorset Hawks 5 Yeovil & Sherborne A 2

ALTHOUGH this victory did not move the Hawks up the table, they remain eighth, they are only four points off third place, and considering they lost their first three games of the season, that means six victories from the last nine.

Unfortunately no details of Saturday's match was available at the time of going to press.

## **Alley Skittles** Lyme Regis

Men's Division One; Wreckers 237 Tornadoes 317 (+BL), Young Guns 364 v Skippy's Six 354 (BL Drawn), Marksmen 357 Rousdon Rebels 307 (+BL), No Hopers Clueless = Postponed (allev unavailable) to be rearranged by commit-tee. (+BL) = Beer Leg Men's Division Two

Cawston Cup; Flyers 320 President's Men

## Mixed Pairs

The following are through to the Mixed Pairs Semi-Finals on Wednesday, March 23rd (AT THE GEORGE); G Bailey & L Dare, R Parsons and G Parsons, E Blackmore &T Mayers, P Forsey & K Trott, Ď McNally & Ĵ Mc-Nally, J West & T West. (AT ROUSDON CLUB); D Heath & R Bevis, L Taylor & M Williams, D Rickard

& J Rickard, A Cross & A Rattenbury. 

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## **Bridport**

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## **INSIDE:** Comprehensive local sport round-up

## **Church confirms Seasiders woes**

has left Lyme Regis with a mountain to climb if they are to avoid a second season in the Devon & Exeter League Division Two.

The Seasiders' latest reverse came in the form of a 3-2 score line against the Exeter University 3rd team at their exposed Duckes Meadow Ground.

Vast periods of possession led to a host of good chances, but the Lyme frontline misfired and they were exposed at the back by the pacey Students' strike force; in particular striker Tom Church who netted a hat-trick.

Referee Adam Dobbin was a busy man awarding three penalties for the hosts, all of which were fully justified and two of which were converted.

The third spot-kick came after keeper Chris Higgs was sent off after receiving a second yellow card as he hauled down a home striker. Mark by Howard Larcombe email: howard@pemedia.co.uk
@ @howardlarcombe

Batey saved that kick but Lyme were still fuming about not being awarded one of their own after Dec Ellis was clearly felled in the area.

So, with a full time replacement for Tim Edwards yet to be confirmed, caretaker manager Rob Thom begins with a defeat, but the team can still turn things around beginning with Saturday's visit by Hemyock (2.15pm

Both Lyme Reserves and Bantams had their games postponed due to waterlogged pitches at the Davey Fort and Woodroffe School.

The Ressies make the short rip for a D&E Division Seven local derby at Colyton on Saturday while the Bantams travel to Henhayes to take on fellow Perry Street League Premier Division strugglers Crewkerne Town.

Meanwhile, Bill Ward's fifth goal in three games failed to save CHAR-MOUTH as they went down 2-1 in the Dorset Minor Cup quarter-final at Corfe Castle Reserves.

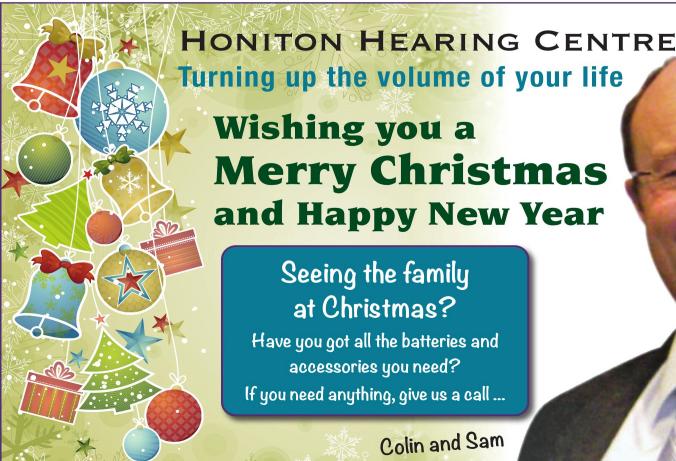
The Robins are in John Fowler cuptie action at Ilminster Town A at the

Elsewhere, UPLYME dropped a place to seventh in the PSDL Division One table after a 1-1 draw at Pymore. James Beddows netted the equaliser for the Swallows who welcome promotion chasers Drimpton on Satur-

Uplyme Reserves' Bill Bailey Cup-tie against Netherbury Reserves was postponed, they switch their attention to the John Fowler cup on Saturday and a trip to face Halstock.



◆ NO CIGAR: Lyme Regis full back Mark Batey (2) goes close with a looping header that was hooked off the line in Saturday's frustrating 3-2 defeat at Exeter University. Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE



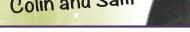
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